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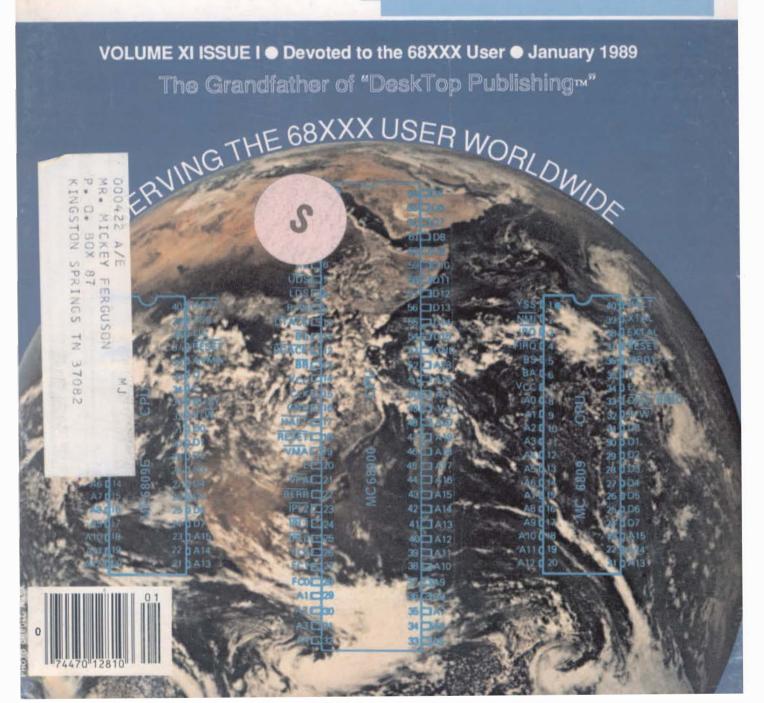
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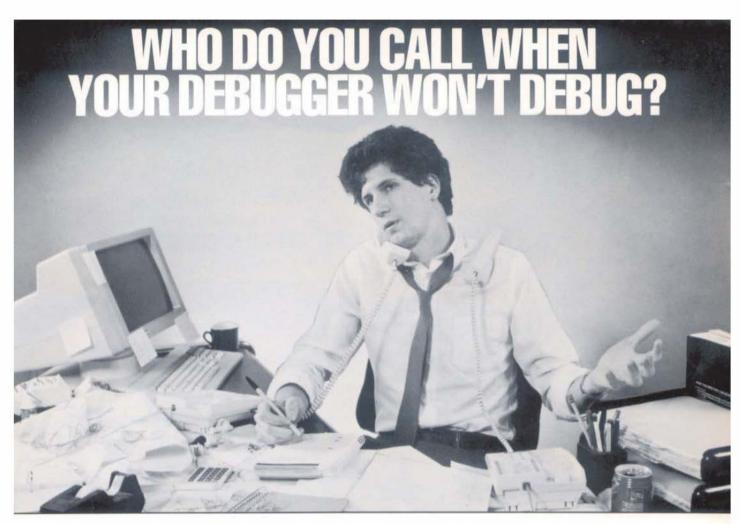
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INTRODUCTION

This chapter concludes the presentation of a binary file editor and discusses certain problems with the techniques by which standard C language compilers perform computations

C COMPUTATIONS

As with many other detailed aspects of the C language, the standards leave many specifics of computations to the implementor. It is the programmer's responsibility to be aware of and avoid the common traps.

Since division of integers is always performed in integer mode, the division of a smaller number by a larger number (in absolute value) will always produce zero. Computations must be properly arranged to ensure that incorrect results are not produced because of division truncation.

Thus, the expression $(A \cdot B / C)$ should usually be stated as $((A \cdot B) / C)$, not as $(A \cdot (B / C))$, so that a larger value will be generated by the multiplication operation before the division operation is performed. This will ensure more accurate results.

For example, ((3 * 4) / 5) = 2, but (3 * (4 / 5)) = 0, using integer arithmetic and division truncation, not rounding.

Assuming that the multiplication operation will be performed before the division operation, in the absence of parentheses, will lead to incorrect results on some implementations. Thus, (3 * 4/5) may be 0 or 2, depending upon the implementation.

Unfortunately, performing multiplications before division does not necessarily solve the problem. Most C compilers will promote the operations of an expression to the type of the highest subexpression, to maintain the accuracy of the expression.

Thus, if A, B, and C above are 16-bit short integers, the expression will have type short int. Most C compilers will recognize that the product of two 16-bit values requires 32 bits to maintain, and will perform the multiplication and division using 32-bit operations.

However, if the subexpressions are 32-bit long integers, many C compilers will not extend the temporary results to 64 bits, as the hardware for 64-bit computations is usually not available on 32-bit machines and the loss of efficiency required to call subroutines to perform the extended precision arithmetic may be considered excessive.

Most C compilers will not even warn the programmer or user that the computation may be or is actually subject to high-order truncation, leading to potentially disastrous situations in which the numbers being used to test an algorithm, but some combinations of actual inputs cause overflow or division by zero, another common problem. In the 64-bit case, the programmer must determine that this treatment is always adequate for the specific case, specify double-precision floating-point calculations, or perform the extended precision integer operations assuming 32-bit precision. The latter approach may be easily accomplished for addition and subtraction, but the multiply algorithm is somewhat more complex and the divide algorithm is substantially more complex.

The floating-point approach has the disadvantages of loss of speed and of loss of accuracy, in addition to usually making the object program larger, in the majority of cases, due to the floating-point subroutines. Furthermore, floating-point libraries have historically been prone to subtle types of errors of their own, and this approach should be avoided if not essential to the calculations.

Another point of difference among C compilers relates to sign extension.

Most C programmers are aware of the sign extension considerations as they relate to variables of type char, since this varies significantly among compilers.

C programmers are usually less aware of the sign extension rules for such arithmetic and logical operations as right shifts. In fact, K & R specified that sign extensions for right shifts are left to the specific implementation. In a

small sample of several compilers, half extended the sign and half did not. Two of the compilers providing different results produced code for the same hardware, showing that the designers of the compilers had different opinions for sign-extending right shifts.

EXAMPLE C PROGRAM

Following is this month's example C program; it is the second part of zap, as discussed earlier. The remainder is presented in the previous chapter.

```
/* search value in file */
search ()
   int bt; /* first byte thereof */
    int chr;
   long first;
   union
       long 11;
       char sa[4];
      uu;
    if (!gt_val ("Search for ? ", &uu.ll))
       return;
    if (!gt val ("Start at ? ", &sstart))
        return;
    if (!gt val ("Stop at
                             ? ", &ennd))
    /* temporary using first to hold EOF value */
    first = lseek (fileno(zf), 01, 2);
    if (!ennd)
        if (f verbose)
            V fprintf (stderr, "EOF at ");
            V_fprintf (stderr, deffat[cur_printmode], first);
            V_fprintf (stderr, "\n");
        ennd = first - cur type + 1;
    if (sstart > ennd)
        remark ("start > end", OL);
        return;
    if (ennd > first)
        if (f verbose)
            remark ("end > EOF, truncated", OL);
        ennd = first;
    /* end of using first to hold ECF value */
fifndef SEARCH ACTUAL
    if (fseek (zf, sstart, 0))
        V_fprintf (stderr, "cannot position to ");
       V_fprintf (stderr, deffnt[cur_printmode], sstart);
       V_fprintf (stderr, "\n");
        return;
tendif
    (void) signal (SIGINT, quit search);
    /* shift to align */
```

```
if (!swab)
       if (cur_type - BYTE)
           uu.ss[0] = uu.ss[3];
       if (cur_type - WORD)
           uu.ss[0] = uu.ss[2];
           uu.ss[1] = uu.ss[3];
   bt - BYTEVAL (uu.ss[0]);
   first - sstart;
   diddots = interrupted = FALSE;
   while (sstart < ennd)
       /* print a dot for every 1K processed */
       if (!f silent && (!((first - sstart) & 0x3ff)) && sstart > first)
           V_printf (".");
            (void) fflush (stdout);
           diddots - TRUE:
#ifdef SEARCH ACTUAL
       /* searching the actual values (very slow) */
       if (get value (sstart) - bt)
           if (cur type - BYTE)
               foundit (sstart);
           else
           if (get value (sstart + 1L) - BYTEVAL(uu.ss[1]))
                if (cur_type - WORD)
                    foundit (sstart);
               else
                if ((get value (sstart + 2L) - BYTEVAL(uu.ss[2])) &&
                    (get_value (sstart + 3L) - BYTEVAL(uu.ss[3])))
                    foundit (sstart);
            }
       start++;
telse
        /* searching the old contents of the file */
       if (fgetc (zf) - bt)
            if (cur_type == BYTE)
                                        /* looking for byte is easy */
                foundit (sstart);
           else
            (
                chr = fgetc (zf);
                if (chr - BYTEVAL(uu.ss[1]))
                    if (cur_type - WORD)
                        foundit (sstart);
                        ungetc (chr. zf);
                    else
                        chr = fgetc (zf);
                        if (chr - BYTEVAL(uu.ss[2]))
                            chr = fgetc (zf);
```

```
if (chr = BYTEVAL (uu.ss[3]))
                                foundit (sstart);
                        fseek (zf, sstart + 1L, 0);
               }
               else
                    ungetc (chr, zf);
       sstart++;
       if (ferror (zf) || feof (zf))
            quit search ();
#endif
                              /* while (sstart < ennd) */
    if (diddots)
       V_printf ("\n");
    (void) signal (SIGINT, SIG DFL);
    if (!f batch && interrupted)
       V_printf ("Interrupted at ");
       V_printf (defffnt(cur_printmode), sstart);
       V printf ("\n");
}
/* print verification list */
verify ()
    long addr;
    /* display all modifications entered until now. display in portions
     * of cur printmode. align to lower cur_type boundary */
    for (addr = 01, tbl ptr = tbl; tbl ptr != tbl free; tbl ptr++)
        if (tbl ptr->addr >= addr)
            addr = tbl_ptr->addr & ~(cur_type - 1);
            V printf ("vfy: ");
            V printf (defffmt[cur_printmode), addr);
            V_printf ("%c %-7s => ", dp_type[cur_type], pr_val (addr, FALSE));
            V_printf ("%-7s\n", pr_val (addr, TRUE));
            addr += cur_type;
        }
}
int gt line (dst, prompt, argl, arg2, arg3, arg4)
char *dst;
char *prompt;
long argl;
long arg2;
char arg3;
char *arg4;
    if (prompt && !f silent)
        V_printf (prompt, argl, arg2, arg3, arg4);
    (void) fflush (stdout);
    if (!gets (dst))
        if (f_batch && !f_silent)
            V_printf ("[eof]\n");
#ifndef vaxc
        (void) putchar ('\n');
#endif
```

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return (NULL);
    if (f_batch && !f_silent)
        V_printf ("%s\n", dst);
    if (dst[0] - '^' && dst[1] - '2' && dst[2] - '\0')
        return (FALSE);
    else
        return (TRUE);
}
int gt val (prompt, 1)
char *prompt;
long *1;
1
    *1 = 01;
    while (gt_line (buf, prompt, OL, OL, '\O', NULL))
        if (!decod (buf, 1))
            return (TRUE);
    return (FALSE);
}
/* display value, using current settings (result is in static area) */
char *pr val (addr, cur)
long addr;
int cur;
                    /* 1 = use current, 0 = use previous */
{
    char *cp;
    int i;
    long val;
    static char dst [64];
    last_value = 0;
    if (cur_printmode - ASCII)
        cp = dst;
        for (i = 0; i < cur type; i++)
            val = getbyte (addr);
            addr++;
            if (val >= ' ' && val < 0177 && val != '\\')
                *cp++ = val;
            else
                *cp++ = '\\';
                switch ((int)BYTEVAL(val))
                case '\b':
                    *cp++ = 'b';
                    break;
                case '\n':
                    *cp++ = 'n';
                    break;
                case '\t':
                    *cp++ = 't';
                    break;
                case '\f':
                    *cp++ = 'f';
                    break;
                case '\I':
                    *cp++ = 'r';
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break;
                case '\\':
                     *cp++ = '\\';
                     break;
                 default:
                     V_sprintf (cp, "%o", val);
                     while (*cp)
                        cp++;
                     break;
            *cp++ = ' ';
        *cp = '\0';
    }
    else
    1
        val - 01;
        switch (cur_type)
        case EYTE:
            val = getbyte (addr);
            break;
        case WORD:
            if (swab)
                                    getbyte (addr + 1L);
                val -
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr );</pre>
            }
            else
            1
                                     getbyte (addr );
                val -
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 1L);</pre>
            break;
        case LWORD:
            if (swab)
                                     getbyte (addr + 3L);
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 2L);</pre>
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 1L);</pre>
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr</pre>
            }
            else
                val -
                                     getbyte (addr
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 1L);</pre>
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 2L);</pre>
                val = (val << 8) | getbyte (addr + 3L);</pre>
            break;
        if ((last_value = val) || cur_printmode != OCTAL)
            V_sprintf (dst, deffmt[cur_printmode], val);
             (void) stropy (dst, "0");
    return (dst);
static char *fmt [] =
    "0%05lo 0%05lo%c %-7s ",
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"%61d %61d%c %-7s ",
    "x%05ld x%05lx%c %-7s ",
    "0%051o 0%051o%c %-7s "
};
zap (fname)
char *fname:
                                /* scratch
   char chr:
                                /* checksum value
                                                                 */
   int check;
   int checkwrite;
                                /* check for write access
   int goon;
                                /* until ^Y is used
   int i;
                                /* scratch
   int need head;
                                /* header toggle
    long base;
                                /* base of patching sequence
                                                                 */
    long offset;
                                /* offset from base
                                 /* holding variable for values */
    long val;
    checkwrite - TRUE;
    goon = TRUE;
    /* open file */
#ifdef MSDOS
    if (!(zf = fopen (fname, (f_write) ? "rb+" : "rb")))
    if (!(zf = fopen (fname, (f_write) ? "r+" : "r")))
#endi.f
        cant (fname);
    /* set defaults and allocate table */
    cur type = BYTE;
    cur printmode - OCTAL;
    if (!tbl)
        if (!(tbl = (struct ntry *)
            calloc ((unsigned)tbl max, sizeof (struct ntry ))))
            error ("no room for table");
    tbl_cur = tbl_free = tbl;
    prevent = 0;
                                /* reset previous location table */
    /* loop 1 : loop on Base values */
                                     ", &base))
    while (goon && gt_val ("Base ?
        /* loop 2 : loop on offset values */
        while (goon && gt_val ("Offset ? ", &offset))
            need head - TRUE;
            /* loop 3 : loop on patch commands */
            while (goon)
                if (need_head && !f_silent)
                    V_printf ("Base
                                     Offset Value
                                                      New\n");
                need head = FALSE;
                if (!gt_line (buf, fmt[cur printmode), base, offset,
                    dp_type[cur_type], pr_val (base + offset, TRUE)))
                    break;
                switch (buf(0))
                case '\0':
                    /* close current, advance and open new location */
                    offset += cur type;
                    break;
                case '/':
                    /* re-open current using new type */
                    cur_type = WORD;
```

```
break:
case '\\':
    /* re-open current using new type */
    cur type - BYTE;
    break;
Case '|':
    /* re-open current using new type */
    cur type - LWORD;
    break;
Case 'A':
    if (!buf[1])
        /* close current, back up and open new location */
        offset -- cur type;
       break;
    if (buf[1] != 'Y' || buf[2])
       break:
    /* FALL THROUGH */
case '\031':
               /* AY */
    goon - FALSE;
    break;
case '>':
    /* goto new location */
    if (!decod (&buf[1], &val))
        push loc (base + offset);
        offset = buf[1] ? val : last value;
    break;
Case '<':
    /* goto location */
    if (buf(1) - '\0' && prevent > 0)
       offset = pop loc () - base;
    break;
Case ';':
    /* change current display mode ... */
    chr = buf[1];
    if (isupper (chr))
       chr = tolower (chr);
    if (chr - 'o')
        cur_printmode = OCTAL;
    else
    if (chr - 'd')
        cur_printmode = DECIMAL;
    if (chr == 'x')
        cur printmode = HEX;
    if /* ... or store ascii bytes ... */ (chr - 'a')
        cur printmode = ASCII;
        for (i = 2; chr = buf[i]; i++)
            if (checkwrite && !f write)
                need head - TRUE;
                checkwrite = FALSE;
                remark ("no write access", OL);
            put_byte (base + offset, chr);
            offset++;
        }
```

```
else
                if /* ... or print modifications ... */ (chr = 'v')
                    verify ();
                    need head = TRUE;
                }
                else
                if /* ... or search values */ (chr - 's')
                    search ();
                    need head - TRUE;
                break;
            default:
                if ((i = decod (buf, &val)) <= 0)
                    if (checkwrite && !f write)
                        need head = TRUE;
                        checkwrite - FALSE;
                        remark ("no write access", OL);
                    put value (base + offset, val);
                    if (!i)
                        offset += cur type;
                    else
                        offset -= cur type;
            /* loop on patch commands */
        /* loop on offset values */
    /* loop on base values */
/* compute checksum, if requested */
if (f check | | f sum)
    check = 0;
    for (tbl cur = tbl; tbl cur != tbl free; tbl cur++)
        check ^= (BYTEVAL(tbl_cur->val) |
            ((tbl cur->old << 8) & 0xff00));
    if (f sum)
        V printf ("Checksum = ");
        V printf (deffmt[cur printmode], check);
        V printf ("\n");
/* apply patches, after checksum verification */
tbl cur = tbl;
if (f_write)
    /* verify checksum */
    if (f check)
        while (gt val ("Checksum ? ", &val))
            if (val - check | | f_batch)
                break;
    if (! (f check && val != check))
        for (tbl_cur = tbl; tbl_cur != tbl_free; tbl_cur++)
            ptv_file (tbl_cur->addr, tbl_cur->val);
```

```
if (tbl cur !- tbl free)
       error ("no modifications made");
   if (!f_silent 66 f write 66 tbl - tbl_free)
       remark ("no modifications requested", OL);
    /* close file and exit */
    (void) fclose (zf):
}
cant (s)
char *s;
   V_fprintf (stderr, "%s: cannot open %s\n", my_name, s);
   exit (1);
remark (s, a)
char *a:
long a;
   V_fprintf (stderr, "%s: ", my_name);
   V_fprintf (stderr, s, a);
   V fprintf (stderr, "\n");
error (s)
char *s;
    V fprintf (stderr, "%s: %s\n", my name, s);
    exit (1);
swabcheck ()
   union
    -
        short a;
       char a[2];
    ) u;
    u.s = 0x1357;
#ifdef SWAB
#if SWAB
    if (!(u.a[0] - 0x57 & u.a[1] = 0x13))
        error ("please recompile with \"-DSWAB=0\"");
    if (!(u.a[0] - 0x13 & u.a[1] - 0x57))
        error ("please recompile with \"-DSWAB=1\"");
#endif
telse
    swab = (u.a[0] - 0x57 66 u.a[1] - 0x13);
#endif
EOF
```

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PRACTICE WHAT I PREACH

A few days ago I did the cardinal sin at the keyboard. I put the wrong disk in at the wrong time. I was setting up another disk with some files. The label on the new disk is identical to the one I keep this column on. With nothing but a brief glance I tossed the column's disk into drive /dl and entered the line:

format /dl "Files Disk" r

Well it was all over column was gone! It was a memory. Weeks of work was gone.

The sin was not formatting the wrong disk. I believe it could happen to anyone. Even the best of intentions go bad. The sin was I had no backup disk. And to add to the injury, I had not even made a hardcopy. I know what you are saying, "Ron, what happened to all the preaching about making backups?" Well, all I can say is that I'm guilty. I did not practice what I preached and I paid the price. Now, I'm back to backing up my files.

THE CURRENT STATE OF BASICALLY OS-9

This explanation does not explain why you did not see a column last month. I feel I should explain. To put it bluntly, I have gone to bi-monthly basis. I don't know for how long I will be doing it this way, but for now expect the column every other month.

I should explain some of my reasons for the change. One reason is monthly burn-out. Yes, it is catching up with me. Or maybe it is old age. This column will be 4 years old this coming April and that is a long time. I tip my hat to the old timers writing in the magazine, like Ron Anderson and Dr. E.M. Pass. I certainly we cannot forget Don Williams Sr and his staff. How those guys have done it for 10+ years is beyond me.

Another problem is finding time to get the column out. I really don't where time goes. Einstein said that time is relative. It is like being on a date with a beautiful woman. Time will speed along. The following week while waiting for her to call you, time will creep along. (Female readers please insert "handsome man" for the "beautiful woman".)

I have a few other reasons, but at this time wish not to divulge them. Hopefully as time goes on things will get back to normal and I will once again bring the column back to a monthly basis.

3 YEARS OF PROGRAMS FOR SALE

I have been also at work on a side project for the past few months and now am ready to unvail it. As many of you know this column has been in existence for some 3+ years. It started back in April 1985. This coming April will in fact mark its 4 year anniversary.

There is some history to the column. Originally it was titled Basic OS-9. My task was to write a beginners column on OS-9 helping new comers adjusted and get into the swing of things. I tired to cover as much as I could. I covered programming languages, operating systems, micropressesor theory and stories of my encounters in the world of computer technology. Yes, I also covered OS-9. After some months of writing the column, I received a call from Don Williams. It was a tuesday evening. Don said that he liked the column, saw a strong future for it and thought the name was not adequate. Not only was I covering beginner OS-9, I was coverering everything else. So we changed the column's name to Basically OS-9.

I had a number of philosophies on what I should write about. My main goal was always to enlighten the reader. I thought of it as feeding my readers. In fact one column was even titled "OS-9 Smorgasbord." I wanted to do one thing in every column. I wanted to present a program each time. My belief was that a program was worth far more than all the rambling I could do. I found the computer magazines that only talk and present nothing to do get boring very fast. So almost every column has some piece of related software.

The software covered all the types of languages. I presented programs in Basic09, Pascal, C Language, Assembler, and Kbasic. Some programs were food for thought, while others were stand alone. The programs covered a large variety of things. To name a few: directory alphabitizer, checkbook balancer, a new DATE program, a simultaneous equation solver and new LIST program.

For the past few months, I have been going through my old files findingall the source code from APRIL 1985 through MARCH 1988. I have just finished the task and put them into a 3 Volume set, one for each year of the column. I have also taken care of putting them into a useful form. I have packed, compiled and assembled the code. So, the disks not only contain the source code, the also have the I-Code, P-Code, or 6809 object code. The are ready to run. You will need the Basic09 or Pascal runtime libraries.

Here is a list of what is on the disks.

VOLUME 1 - 1985 TO 1988

	ME 1 - 1983		
1.	APRIL	BSORT	BASIC09
2.	APRIL	SORT	BASIC09
3.	MAY	PAD	BASIC09
4.	JUNE	PDISPLAY	BASIC09
5.	JUNE	FF	ASSEMBLY
6.	JULY	FF DISKID	BASIC09
7.	AUGUST	DISKLOOK	BASIC09
A.	SEPTEMBER	CRYPT	C
9.	OCTOBER	RABBITS	PASCAL
10.	NOVEMBER	DALPHA	С
11.	NOVEMBER DECEMBER	DHC	С
12.	JANUARY	CHECKING	PASCAL
13.	FEBRUARY	DATE	ASSEMBLY
14.	FEBRUARY MARCH	FLOOK	BASIC09
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1.	APRIL	DALPHA	C
2.	MAY JUNE	MATRIX	C
3.	JUNE	DACK	ASSEMBLY
4.	JUNE		ASSEMBLY
5.	JUNE	GETIME	ASSEMBLY
6.		SORT	С
7.	AUGUST	SYSCEN	BASIC09
8.	AUGUST SEPTEMBER	ATTACH	ASSEMBLY
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10.	OCTOBER OCTOBER	NEWTONS2	KBASIC
11.	NOVEMBER	TREES	PASCAL
12.	JANUARY	DEVICES	KBASIC
13.	FEBRUARY	STRIP	С
	MARCH		C
	ME 3 - 1981		
1.	APRIL MAY	HCHECK	BASIC09
2.	MAY	LIST	C
3.	JULY	PCOPY DOUBLE.V1	BASIC09
4.	AUGUST	DOUBLE.V1	С
5.	AUGUST	DOUBLE. V2	С
6.	SEPTEMBER OCTOBER	OPTEST	С
7.	OCTOBER	DATE	С
8.	NOVEMBER	ŒTMODDIR	.V1 BASICO9
9.	NOVEMBER	GETMODDIR	.V1 BASIC09
10.	DECEMBER	EQUATIONS	PASCAL
11.	JANUARY	SYSGO.V1	ASSEMBLY
12.	JANUARY JANUARY	SYSGO.V2	ASSEMBLY
13.	FEBRUARY	PLIST	
14.	MARCH	PATH	C

As you can see there is listed over 42 programs. As it turns out this list can be misleading. Some of the Basic09 programs are really a number of procedures inbedded in one file. The program OPTEST is really a test for a C module which returns the parameters from the input line. Some of them are samples to be used as examples. All the source code is provided on this 3 disk collection. These can be purchased from South East Media, \$9.95 any single volume or \$24.95 for all 3. All non-USA orders must add an additional \$3.50 for surface mailing or \$6.00 for airmail.

AND NOW A SELECTION FROM THE MENU

As many of know I am not one for menu driven systems. I pefer to work in an interactive environment. I like the feel of entering some cryptic looking command and seeing some type of result. Perhap this enchant is what scares of meny people. I like the challenge of learning and experimenting.

Unfortanely this scares off many potential computer user. Also businesses cannot really invest the time it takes for a person to learn a system. Therefore, a menu driven system is usefull. It is quick and easy to learn. It virtually guides the user through to his final destination.

This month I am presenting a menu system that can be implemented on any OS-9 systems. It may requires a few minot adjustments, but nothing major. This the first version and I can honestly say that it may not be fully debugged. It is a diamond in the rough. It is up to you to polish it.

Listing 1 has the procedure for creating menus. Listing 2 is the actual menu program. Everything is written in Basic09 and should easy to understand. Let me however explain the theory of how the menus are used.

The directory "/DD/MENU" should be created. If you do not havea /DD, default directory, in you system this can be changed to /D0, /D1, /H0 or whatever. Just remember to change the program accordingly.

The menus are file contained in their directory. Each file consists of a menu title, number of entries and the actual entries. The menu can consist of either commands or lower level menus. Let me explain better by telling the construction of an entry.

The entry consists of 4 parts. First is the category. At this point there are only two types. If a 1 is encountered for category, then the entry is for an OS-9 commands or at least something a SHELL can run. If it is 2, then another menu is being called up.

Second is whether a parameter is required. For menus this not necessary. However, for a command it may required. Consider the menu line "Directory". It would be executed using the command DIR which can use some type of parameter. Parameter is a boolean which is set either TRUE or FALSE.

Third is the menu line. This is what is displayed. It is what the user sees. It gives a hint of what might happen. It can be like the command shown above. Or it might be another menu like "Word Processing Menu".

Finally is the actual command line. This is what gets processed. It can be command or a menu file found in "IDD/MENU". For the last two examples, they would be "DIR" and "WP_FILE", respectively.

Let us look at an example.

FILE: main TITLE: Main OS-9 Menu ENTIRES: 3 ENTRY 1 CATEGORY: 2 PARAMETER: NO MENU LINE: Word Processing Menu COMMAND: WP_FILE ENTRY 2 CATE-GORY: 1 PARAMETER: YES MENU LINE: Directory COMMAND: DIR ENTRY 3 CATEGORY: 1 PARAMETER: NO MENU LINE: Shell COMMAND:

LISTING 1

0000

PROCEDURE make manu

(* 001E (+ 0021 (* Name: Make Menu FFOO (* By: Ron Voigts 0044 (* Date: 3-NOV-88 0055 (+ 0058 0076 (* 0079 (* Version 1.0 Original 0098 (* APOO (+ ++ OORS (* OORR (* CORE CORF (* Set up complex data type OODA TYPE entry_type=category:INTEGER; parameter:800LEAN; manu_line:STRING[64]; command:STRING[64] 0101 0102 (* Set up variables 0115 DIM s:STRING(32) 0121 DIM path: BYTE 0128 DIM title:STRING[64] 0134 DIM esize: INTEGER 013B DIM entry (10) :entry_type 0149 014A (* Get file name 015A INPUT "Enter file name: ", s 0173 (* Create it in directroy "/dd/menu" 0197 CREATE *path, "/dd/menu"+s:WRITE OLAE PRINT 01B0 (* Get menu title 01B1 INPUT "Enter menu title: [64]: ", title 01C2 PUT *path, title 01E2 01EC PRINT OIEE 01EF (* How many entries? INPUT "Enter number of entries: [10]: ", esize 0203 022A PUT *path, esize

FILE: WP_FILE TITLE: Word Processing Menu ENTRIES: 3 ENTRY 1 CATEGORY: 2 PARAMETER: YES MENU LINE: Standard OS-9 Editor COMMAND: edit ENTRY 2 CATEGORY: 2 PARAMETER: NO MENU LINE: Stylo COMMAND: stylo ENTRY 3 CATEGORY: 2 PARAME-TER: NO MENU LINE: DynaStar COMMAND: ds

I think the best way to get to learn how menu works is to type them up, try the example I have given you and see it in action. Please, make changes if you wish. I am considering making a fancier version of this in C or assembly lanuguage. Maybe some body out there is willing to give it a try.

That is it for this column. We'll see you next time.

```
0234
          (* Get the the information for each item
0235
025D
          FOR i:=1 TO esize
0270
            PRINT
0272
            PRINT "Entry - ",i
0283
            PRINT
0285
            INPUT "Enter category: ", entry(i).category
02A5
            PRINT
            INPUT "Parameter? (Y/N): ",s
02A7
            IF LEFT$(s,1)="Y" OR LEFT$(s,1)="y" THEN
02C2
02DD
              entry(i).parameter:=TRUE
02EB
02EF
              entry(i).parameter:=FALSE
02FD
            ENDIF
02FF
            PRINT
            INPUT "Enter menu line: [64]: ",entry(i).menu_line
0301
            PRINT
0328
            INPUT "Enter command: [32]: ", entry(i).command
032A
034F
            PUT *path, entry(i)
035E
          NEXT i
0369
          CLOSE #path
036F
          END
0371
```

LISTING 2

PROCEDURE manu

```
0000
001E
          (*
0021
          (* Name: Menu
002E
          (* By: Ron Voigts
003F
          (* Date: 3-NOV-88
0050
          (* ****************
0053
0071
          (* Version 1.0
0074
                                 Original
0093
          (*
          (* *****************
0096
0083
          (*
0086
          (* Include following modules:
00D3
          (* 1. Get Menu
00E1
          (* 2. Screen
          (* 3. Blanks
OOED
00F9
          (* 4. Run Shell
0108
          (* 5. Choice
0114
0115
          (* Set up complex data type
0130
       TYPE entry type-category:INTEGER; parameter:BOOLEAN; menu_line:STRING[64]; command:STRING[64]
0157
0158
          (* Set up variables
016B
          DIM entry (10) : entry type
0179
          DIM title: STRING[64]
0185
          DIM level: INTEGER
          DIM file:STRING[64]
018C
          DIM esize: INTEGER
0198
019F
          DIM i: INTEGER
01A6
          DIM menu_stack(8):STRING[64]
01B7
01B8
          (* The first file will always be "main"
01DF
          file:="main"
OLEA
01EB
          (* Get the "main" menu
```

```
0201
           RON get menu (file, title, esize, entry)
021A
021B
           (* This is level 1
022D
           level:=1
0234
0235
           (* Main program loop with exit except CNTRL-C
0262
          LOOP
0264
0265
             (* Print the screen
             RUN screen (title, level, esize, entry)
0278
0291
0292
             (* Get user's choice
02A6
             RUN get choice (i)
02B0
02B1
             (* If i=0 then we are backing out one level
02DC
             IF i=0 THEN
02E8
02E9
               (* Can't back up further than level 1
030E
               IF level-1 THEN
031A
                 level:=1
0321
               ELSE
0325
0326
                  (* Else we go back a level and get the menu
0351
                 level:=level-1
035C
                 file: -menu_stack (level)
0367
                 RUN get_menu (file, title, esize, entry)
ORFO
               ENDIF
             ELSE
0382
0386
0387
               (* Process a direct. command
03A2
               IF entry (i) .category=1 THEN
03B4
                 RUN run_shell(entry(i))
03C1
               ENDIF
03C3
03C4
               (* Proces another menu
               IF entry (i) .category=2 THEN
03DA
03EC
                 file: -entry (i) . command
03FA
                 RUN get menu (file, title, esize, entry)
0413
                 menu stack (level) :-file
                 level:=level+1
041F
               ENDIF
042A
042C
042D
                (* Must be a mistake!!
0443
               IF entry(i).category<1 OR entry(i).category>2 THEN
0462
                 PRINT
0464
                 PRINT "Bad Menu Entry!"
 0477
                 PRINT CHR$ (7)
 047C
               ENDIF
 047E
             ENDIF
 0480
           ENDLOOP
0484
           END
 0486
PROCEDURE get_menu
 0000
           (* Read menu file from "/dd/menu"
 0022
           (* Set up complex data type
 003D
           TYPE entry_type=category:INTEGER; parameter:BOOLEAN; menu_line
               :STRING[64]; command:STRING[64]
 0064
 0065
           (* Passed arguments
 0078
           PARAM file:STRING[32]
 0084
           PARAM title: STRING[64]
```

```
0090
           PARAM esize: INTEGER
0097
           PARAM entry (10) :entry_type
00A5
00A6
           (* Set up variables
00B9
           DIM i, path: INTEGER
00C4
00C5
           (* Get file from "/dd/menu"
00E0
           OPEN *path, "/dd/menu/"+file: READ
COF8
00F9
           (* Get menu title
010A
           GET *path, title
0114
           (* Get menu size
0115
0125
           GET *path, esize
012F
0130
           (* Get menu entries
           FOR i:=1 TO esize
0143
             GET *path, entry(i)
0154
0162
           NEXT i
016D
           END
016F
PROCEDURE screen
0000
           (* Print the screen
0013
           (* Complex data type
0027
         TYPE entry_type=category:INTEGER; parameter:BOOLEAN; menu line:STRING[64]; command:STRING[64]
 004E
 004F
           (* Passed arguments
 0062
           PARAM title: STRING[64]
 006E
           PARAM level: INTEGER
 0075
           PARAM esize: INTEGER
 007C
           PARAM entry (10) :entry_type
 A800
 008B
           (* Set up the variables
           DIM 1: INTEGER
 00A2
           DIM ssize: INTEGER
 00A9
 00B0
 00B1
            (* Screen width
 0000
           ssize:-64
 00C7
 00C8
           (* Clear screen and home cursor
 00E7
           PRINT CHR$ (12)
           PRINT
 OOEC
           PRINT
 00EE
 00F0
 00F1
            (* Print first line
 0104
           RUN blanks ((ssize-LEN(title))/2)
 0115
           PRINT title
 011A
           PRINT
 011C
 011D
           (* Print second line
 0131
           PRINT DATES;
 0135
           RON blanks (ssize-20)
           PRINT USING "'Level ', I3", level
 0141
           PRINT
 0155
 0157
           PRINT
 0159
 015A
           (* Print menu choices
           FOR i:=1 TO esize
 016F
 0180
             PRINT " ";
 0186
             PRINT USING "i3"; i;
 0192
             PRINT ". "; entry(i).menu_line
```

```
NEXT i
 01A2
 01AD
           END
01AF
PROCEDURE blanks
           (* Print specified number of blanks
 0000
           PARAM i: INTEGER
 0023
 002A
           DIM j: INTEGER
 0031
           FOR j:=1 TO i
 0042
             PRINT " ";
 0048
           NEXT j
0053
           END
0055
PROCEDURE get_choice
 0000
           (* Gets user's choice returning an integer
 002A
           PARAM i: INTEGER
 0031
           PRINT
 0033
           PRINT
 0035
           INPUT "Choice: ( 0 to Backup) : ",i
0056
           END
0058
PROCEDURE run shell
 0000
           (* Routine to run a command
001B
        TYPE entry type=category:INTEGER; parameter:BOOLEAN; manu line:STRING[64]; command:STRING[64]
 0042
           PARAM e:entry type
 004B
           DIM s:STRING[64]
 0057
          PRINT
           PRINT "Command: ", e. command
 0059
 006D
          PRINT
006F
           IF e.parameter THEN
 007B
            INPUT "Enter paramter: ",s
 0093
           ENDIF
 0095
           SHELL e.command+" "+s
 00A5
           PRINT
 00A7
 00A8
           (* Built in PAUSE feature
 00C1
           INPUT "Type <RETURN> to continue!",s
 00E3
```

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Remember that it's possible you made different choices from me when it came to selecting columns to doubly-complement, but you should at least end up with an equivalent symmetric function.

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Last time we were together I promised that you'd meet the "daddy" of symmetric functions, so here he is, the fellow who's going to enable you to design

ITERATIVE NETWORKS

Symmetric circuits form part of a larger class of circuitry known as "iterative" or "re-iterative" networks, so called because there's a basic pattern to them, which repeats itself. ALL iterative networks (including symmetric) can be designed by the technique to which you'll shortly be introduced, though in the case of the sub-class, symmetric circuits, it's more usual to do so by the methods we've already studied.

Another sub-class of iterative networks is called "positional circuits", and deals with the position, or physical relationship, of the relays in the network, rather than just the number of relays operated. From now on it's to be understood that when we speak of "a circuit of 20 relays ...", or any other number for that matter, they'll be lettered (or numbered) consecutively. A "set" is a group of consecutively lettered (numbered) relays, and it's with sets of different types that we'll be dealing next. I think it goes without saying that there MUST be at least one unoperated relay between one set and another. I mention this only because I've sometimes been asked whether, say, relays 4, 5 and 6 could be regarded as a set, and relays 7, 8 and 9 as another. By definition these constitute ONE set, as they follow consecutively without a break. Got it so far? Good! Now let's look at typical circuit specifications that we may be asked to design.

1. A circuit of 50 relays is to be closed if, and only if, one set of exactly 3 relays is operated, and all other relays are unoperated.

NOTE: It's common practice in switching theory and other related branches of mathematics to use the word "iff" to mean "if, AND ONLY IF ... ", so we'll adopt this convention from now on.

- 2. A circuit of 98 relays is to be closed iff ALL sets contain exactly 3 operated relays, otherwise no output.
- 3. A circuit of 457 relays is to be closed iff there are exactly 2 sets of relays operated, one set to contain 2 relays and the other 3 relays, but not necessarily in that order.
- 4. A circuit of 153 relays is to be closed iff there are exactly 3 sets of operated relays, no matter how many relays in each set.

Doesn't example 3 look frightening? 457 relays! Wow!! But there's no need to worry, as I can assure you that the circuit is just as easy to design whether there are 45, 457 or 457983 relays involved. In designing positional iterative networks, we're not concerned with how many relays there are, as our whole attention will be focussed on one "prototype" relay somewhere along the chain. We usually picture our prototype as being somewhere about the middle of the chain, that is if we think of its position at all, though it doesn't have to be so.

By convention we call our prototype relay "X", and instead of thinking about relay contacts, we now think in terms of input-lines bringing information into X about conditions in the lower-numbered relays. We also imagine an equal number of output-lines leaving X, and passing on information to the next relay, Y, about conditions UP TO AND INCLUDING X ITSELF. The output-lines of relay-X are, of course, the input-lines of relay-Y.

ITERATIVE NETWORKS - EXAMPLE 1

As a first step in learning our new design process, let's take spec-1 above and try to design this circuit, beginning with Diagram 88a. On our squared pad, we set up two columns, headed X=0 and X=1, X being our prototype relay. Immediately to the left of the X=0 column we write the code "0", and further out to the left again (under a heading "Relays Operated" we write a second "0". The left-hand 0 is interpreted as "No relays operated so far", and the 0 in the Code column is simply our code for this condition. This is the lowest level, or simplest piece of information possible!

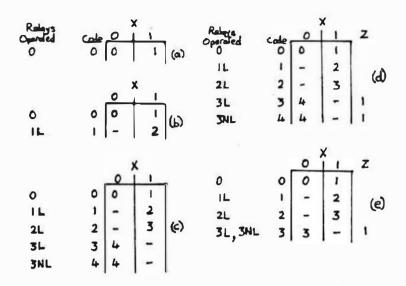


Diagram 88

Now let's look at the X=0 column of Code-0 in 88a. With information 0 coming in to X, and X itself unoperated, it, too, must obviously pass on the same information to relay-Y (namely, "No relays operated to this point"), which fact we record by entering a 0 in this column. On the other hand, moving to the X=1 column, if relay-X IS operated, it must pass on to relay-Y the information that the relay immediately in front of Y is operated, and that it's the only one so far. Let's give this the code 1, to stand for "one relay operated immediately before you" and insert this code in the X=1 column. Normally we abbreviate this long statement to "1L", for 1-LAST, meaning "one relay operated, and it's the last one in the chain to this point".

Of course, if it's possible for X to pass this info on to Y, it's also possible for similar news to come into X from ITS previous relay. So as we haven't defined what our response will be to Code-1, let's open up a new line, as in 88b, with 1L at the extreme left, and its code "1" in the code column. So now X "knows" that relay-W alone is operated, and if X itself is NOT operated then we obviously have a set of exactly one relay. This is a breach of the specs, so we'll insert a "-" in the X=0 column to indicate a complete blockage of information to relay-Y. This means that power will be cut off at this point! If X IS operated, however, we now have TWO consecutively operated relays towards the required set of three. At this point in our analysis we have no code for this condition, so let's create code-2 to represent it, and insert 2 in the X=1 column. This signifies that X is passing along to Y the info 2L, meaning "the two last relays in the chain to this point are operated". And so we proceed to 88c, where I've taken the process to completion, but we'll continue with the discussion, starting at 2L, code-2, and assume we have this info coming in to X, rather than being transmitted to Y. What do we do here? Well, if X=0, a set of two has been created, which again is a breach of specs, so we'll cut off power by inserting a "-" in this column. If X IS operated, we'll have a sequence of 3 relays to this point, so let's code this as 3, to stand for 3L, or "the last 3 relays are operated to this point", and insert 3 in the X=1 column.

This being another new code, we open up line 3L with 3 in the code-column, and analyse the reaction of X if this info were coming in on ITS input-lines. If X is not operated, we've now closed off our set of 3 relays, so let's code this as 4, to stand for 3NL, or "three relays operated, but not the LAST 3", and insert this code 4 in the X=0 column. Alternatively, we could let code 4 stand for 1S, meaning "We've got our set of 3 completed", but for now we'll stick with 3NL. If X IS operated, we've got four relays in our set (a breach of specs), so we'll insert a "-" in the X=1 column to cut off power.

As we have an unanalysed code 4 in our table, we're forced to open up row 3NL, code 4, and ask ourselves what X should do if it's UNoperated. It's obvious that it must pass on this same info to Y, namely, "a complete set of 3 somewhere back down the line", so we'll enter 4 in the X=0 column. And what if X IS operated? Why, it would be starting a second set, and as this is forbidden, we'll enter a "-" in the X=1 column to cut off power again. And here we seem to have ground to a halt, as we didn't create any new codes this time, so the main chore work has been done, and we've got all the specs incorporated into our table 88c.

But not quite all yet, as we still have to code for POWER-OUTPUT! This we do in 88d, by adding a column to the right of our table and heading it "Z", for output. This column has to be completed from the viewpoint of the output device itself - let's say a Light. Now, reading down the "Relays Operated" column, we ask ourselves "Should I switch ON for 'No relays

operated?", and as the answer is NO, we don't insert anything in the Z-column for this row. Similarly for 1L (meaning "the relay immediately in front of me is operated") and for 2L (meaning "there are 2 relays operated immediately in front of me"). However, the info 3L ("3 relays operated immediately in front of me") or 3NL ("a set of 3 relays operated somewhere down the line") brings the response "YES, 1 should light up!", so we insert a 1 in column-Z for these two codes.

Let's take time out to re-read all that lot before moving on, but, in any case, I'm going to work out some more examples later on, just to be sure you've got it! But first we must see how to go about

ELIMINATING REDUNDANCIES IN ITERATIVE NETWORKS

Just as we've done with other procedures, out last step before drawing the actual circuit is to reduce the number of lines in the table by seeking out, and eliminating, any redundancies which may exist. We'll deal with this subject more fully later on, but for now, to maintain our flow of thought, we'll adopt a very simplified procedure.

First, we can divide our table into two definite sections, one which calls for an output of 0 and one which calls for 1. Redundancies due to equivalences cannot occur between sections, as the outputs also have to be equivalent, just as with sequential flow-tables. So let's start with Group 0, where we see that Line-0 (code-0) has nothing in common with the other two lines of the same group, so we move on to line-1. Be warned that "-" does NOT correspond to a phi, and must NEVER, under any circumstances, be combined with anything but another "-".

Comparing line-1 with line-2, we note that the X=0 column matches. As far as the X=1 column is concerned, these two lines WOULD be equivalent if only 2 and 3 were equivalent as well. Unfortunately, lines 2 and 3 belong to different groups, so it's impossible for them to be equivalent. Therefore, there are no equivalences in Group-0.

Now let's look at Group-1, and right away we see that line-3 is equivalent to line-4 as both X-columns match and also the output. We therefore superimpose lines 3 and 4 (see 88e), calling it line-3, and change all 4s to 3.

DRAWING THE PROTOTYPE FROM THE FINAL TABLE

It only remains now to draw the network of our prototype cell, bearing in mind that there are actually 50 such cells joined together in a chain. The translation of the table into a circuit is an easy task indeed, as all the necessary info is contained in the table, the circuit being drawn in a matter of seconds.

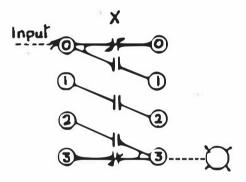


Diagram 89

First, 1'll draw for you, in Diagram 89, a single cell corresponding to our prototype. There are are two vertical columns of four circles each, labelled 0, 1, 2 and 3, the left-hand column being the input-lines to our prototype, and the right-hand column the output-lines. Power-input occurs at input-line-0 of the first cell of the chain, and as our table shows that power-output occurs only in line-3, the output will therefore be taken off at output-line-3 of the final cell in the chain. Note the heading "X" above our prototype! Still working from table 88e, we interpret all entries in the X=0 column as being NC-contacts, and those in the X=1 column as NO-contacts. Ignoring the "Relays Operated" column, we read code-0 as saying "Input-line 0 goes to", the "0" in the X=0 column as "output-line-0 via a NC-contact", and the "1" in the X=1 column as "output-line-1 via a NO-contact". The full sentence reads "Input-line-0 goes to output-line-1 via a NC and to output-line-1 via a NO", so this is what we draw at the top part of our prototype.

Code-1 reads as "Input-line-1 goes to nowhere via a NC and to output-line-2 via a NO", so we don't even draw a NC-contact from input-line-1, merely a NO-contact to output-line-2.

Similarly, input-line-2 connects to output-line-3 via a NO-contact only, and finally, input-line-3 connects to output-line-3 via a NC-contact only.

DRAWING THE COMPLETE NETWORK

It's already been mentioned that the complete circuit consists of 50 such cells connected in series, with the output-lines of one cell being the input-lines of the next. Only the first few and the last few cells in the chain will be different. For instance, looking at Diagram 90, we can see that as power comes in on input-line-0 only, input-lines 1, 2 and 3 may be omitted for the first cell. This means that cell-2 will have only input-lines 0 and I, and so on. Similarly at the output end, output-lines 0, 1 and 2 are unnecessary in the final cell, output-lines 0 and I in the last but one, and so on.

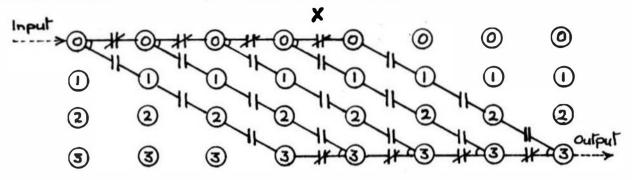


Diagram 90

Diagram 90 is a simplified version of the complete network, showing only one prototype cell X in the centre. Actually, as there are three "odd-ball" cells at either end, there'll be 44 such X-cells in the middle, all exact copies of our full prototype.

A little study of 90 shows that the operation WILL be exactly as per specs! Only if a set of 3 consecutive relays is operated will power be able to flow from the top horizontal line down to the lower, and through to the output via a string of NC-contacts. If any more relays operate, the lower line will become open-circuited and cut off the power, while if less than a set of 3 is operated power will be switched only as far as level-1 or level-2 and be unable to go any further. If no relays are operated at all, power will simply travel along the top rail and terminate in level-0 at the fourth relay from the end.

SOME CHIT-CHAT

With practice, prototype cells can be constructed with very little need for combining lines. For instance, in the example just completed, once we got to constructing the code-3 line of 88c, which signifies that we've JUST completed a set of 3 immediately in front of X, we should realise that from the circuit's viewpoint it matters little whether a fourth relay energises IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING this set, or whether it's separated by a gap of non-operated relays. In either case, the spec "one set of 3 relays" has been exceeded. Consequently, this particular circuit needn't distinguish between 3L and 3NL, and we could simply have entered "S3" in the "Relays Operated" column (meaning "we have our set of 3"), which is what we ended up with, more or less, in 88e, after having gone through the stage of 88d.

AND SOME "IRICKY" INFO RE ITERATIVE EQUIVALENCES

Before working out some more examples for you, I simply MUST unload this stuff about equivalences! I've already explained the rule that, WITHIN A GROUP, whether Group-0 or Group-I, if two or more lines have EXACTLY the same entries in both X=0 and the X=1 columns, then they're equivalent. The higher-numbered line can thus be eliminated, and all references to this now non-existent line, wherever they occur in the remainder of the table, must be changed to that of the lower-numbered line.

In our worked-out example (see 88d again) we came to the point where we considered combining lines 1 and 2. Our thoughts went something like "1 and 2 WOULD be equivalent if "-" and "-" are (column X=0), which, of course, they are, and also (column X=1) if 2 and 3 are. So let's look at lines 2 and 3! This possibility is ruled out on three counts, (a) "-" and 4 can NEVER be compatible; (b) 3 and "-" can NEVER be compatible; and finally (c) the outputs are incompatible. And so, because we came across an incompatibility in our chain of reasoning, the original thoughts about 1 and 2 are INVALID, and they cannot be equivalent."

But suppose for a moment that line-3 not only had a 0-output, but also had the entries "-" and "I" in the X-columns. You should draw this imaginary chart and follow our new line of thought. Here we go! "The equivalence of 1 and 2 depends on the equivalence of 2 and 3, so let's look at lines 2 and 3. Aha! The two "-"s in column X=0 are equivalent, but column X=1 says that the equivalence of lines 2 and 3 depends on the equivalence of lines 3 and 1, so let's look at lines 1 and 3! But the

equivalence of lines 1 and 3 depends (in column X=1) on the equivalence of lines 2 and 3. So here we are, back at our starting-point AND NOWHERE ALONG THE WAY HAVE WE COME ACROSS A NON-EQUIVALENCE. Therefore ALL the pairs we've considered in this chain of reasoning are equivalent, namely 1 and 2, 2 and 3, and 1 and 3." That is to say, all three lines 1, 2 and 3 would be equivalent and could be rolled up into a single line-1.

In sequential flow-tables we regard different lines as being non-equivalent unless we can show them to be equivalent or pseudo-equivalent, but in prototype tables all lines within a group are regarded as being equivalent unless a chain of dependences ends with a non-equivalence somewhere. In other words, in sequential theory we must prove that two or more tows ARE equivalent, otherwise they're not, but in prototype tables we must prove that they're NOT equivalent, otherwise they are.

Some examples of simple equivalences are shown in Diagram 91, so we'll rely on this intuitive approach until we come to a more precise method for dealing with random-input sequential circuits some distance along our journey. Apart from TESTs I doubt that you'll have a REAL NEED to design an iterative network in the meantime.

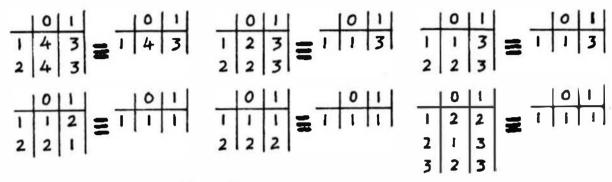


Diagram 91

The triple horizontal bars are read as "is equivalent to". Note in the final example, that although the three rows would be completely incompatible in sequential theory, our thoughts here would be "1 is equivalent to 2 if 2 is equivalent to 1 (column X=0), which it IS (as this is the possibility we're considering right now), AND if 2 is equivalent to 3 (column x=1), so let's look at lines 2 and 3. 2 and 3 are equivalent, according to column X=0, if 1 and 2 are (our original postulation) and if 3 is equivalent to 3 (column X=1). So let's look at lines 1 and 2, but, by golly, that's where we started from, and, BECAUSE WE DIDN'T COME ACROSS A NON-EQUIVALENCE ALONG THE WAY, and we've studied lines 1, 2 and 3, then these 3 lines are equivalent. So let's make them all into 1."

TO CONTINUE

And now, to familiarise you with our technique, I'll work out three more examples for you, talking my way through step-bystep. In each case, I'll set out the prototype tables in full, and then justify the entries as I go along, though as an additional exercise you should commence with a blank chart and fill in the entries as we proceed. Off we go with

ITERATIVE NETWORKS - EXAMPLE 2

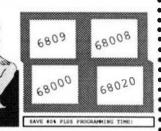
Design a prototype cell for a circuit of "n" relays which will give an output iff there is exactly one set, consisting of either two or three relays.

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LOW COST PROGRAM KITS from Southeast Media The following kits are available for FLEX, SK-OOS on either 5" or 8" Disk.

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COPYDATE.CMD: file copy, by date-order

FILEDATE.CMD: change file creation date

INFO.CMD & INFOGMX.CMD): tells disk attributes & contents

REUNK.CMD (& RELINK82): re-orders fragmented free chain

RESQ.CMD: undeletes (recovers) a deleted file

SECTIORS.CMD: show sector order in free chain

XL.CMD: super text lister

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MENU.BAS: selects required program from list below INDEX.BAC: word index

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CONTENT.BAC: table of contents

INDXSORT.BAC: fast alphabetic sort routine

FORMATER.BAC: produces a 2-column formatted index

APPEND.BAC: append any number of files

CHAR.BIN: line reader

BASIC09 TOOLS consist of 21 subroutines for Basic09.
6 were written in C Language and the remainder in assembly.
All the routines are compiled down to native machine code which makes them fast and compact.

1. CFILL - fills a string with characters

2. DPEEK -- Double peck

3. DPOKE - Double poke

4. FPOS - Current file position

5. FSIZE -- File size

6. FTRIM -- removes leading spaces from a string

7. GETPR - returns the current process ID

8. GETOPT -- gets 32 byte option section

9. GETUSR -- gets the user ID

10. GTIME - gets the time

11. INSERT - insert a string into another

12. LOWER -- converts a string into lowercase

13. READY - Checks for available input

14. SETPRIOR -- changes a process priority

15. SETUSR - changes the user ID

16. SETOPT -- set 32 byte option packet

17. STIME - sets the time

18. SPACE -- adds spaces to a string

19. SWAP -- swaps any two variables

20. SYSCALL -- system call

21. UPPER - converts a string to uppercase

For OS-9 - \$44,95 - Includes Source Code

SOFTOOLS

The following piograms are included in object form for immediate application. PL/9 source code available for customization.

READ-ME Complete instructions for mitial set-up and operation. Can even be printed out with the included text processor.

CONFIG one time system configuration.

CHANGE changes words, characters, etc. globally to any text type file.

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COMMON compare two text files and reports differences.

COMPARE another check file that reports mis-matched lines.

CONCAT similar to FLEX, SK-DOS append but can also list files to screen.

DOCUMENT for PL/9 source files. Very useful in examining parameter passing aspects of procedures.

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First, we draw up a blank table, with all headers, including Z, and start off with 0 in both the "Relays Operated" and "Code" columns. We'll study X's reaction to the info "No relays operated so far". If X=0 there are still no relays operated, so we'll pass on Code-0 to Y, but if X=1 we record 1 to signify 1L ("One relay operated so far").

The creation of code-1 forces us to open up time-1, where, if X=0, a set of 1 is formed, and as this is a breach of specs we'll cut off power with a "-". But if X=1, we have a sequence of 2 so far, so we'll record 2 to signify 2L.

Now we have a code-2 to analyse! If X=0 a complete set of 2 has been formed, so we'll enter a 3 to signify S2 (a set of 2), but if X=1 we now have 3 in sequence, so we'll enter 4 to signify 3L. Note that we now have TWO undefined codes, namely 3 and 4, so we open up lines 3 and 4! Let's do code-3 first.

If X=0, the code S2 still applies and we enter a 3 in this column, but if X=1 we'll be starting a second set (forbidden), so we cut off power. Then to line-4.

In this line, if X=0 we've completed a set of three, which we'll indicate with code-5 to stand for S3 (a set of 3), as this is a new situation, but if X=1 we've "gone over the top" with 4 relays, so we cut off power with a "-". This line forces us to open up line-5, where, if X=0, the situation is still S3, so we enter a 5 in this column, but if X=1 then, obviously, a second set is under way, so once more we'll cut off power.

No new code-numbers means we've come to the end of our design, so let's switch our viewpoint to that of the output, by checking Z against the "Relays Operated" column. Zero relays or one relay immediately before Z certainly don't call for an output, but either 2 relays immediately in front or a set of 2 "down the line somewhere" indicate a need for a "1" in the Z-column, as does 3 relays immediately in front, or a set of 3 down the line.

Equivalences, here we come!! There are only two lines in Group-0, but the "-" in line-I right away makes them incompatible. So let's study Group-I. Line-2 is incompatible because a 4 CANNOT be combined with a "-". Lines 4 and 5 are certainly compatible, but how about line-3? Let's compare it with line-4, and say "Lines 3 and 4 would match if only 3 and 5 were compatible. Now let's compare 3 and 5! Lines 3 and 5 would match if only 3 and 5 were compatible. (see column X=0 in all cases). We can't go any further, and as we haven't come across an INCOMPATIBILITY, then all three are equivalent, so we'll roll up 3, 4 and 5 into a new line-3, and make all 4s and 5s into 3. We could alternatively have gone the route of rolling-up line-5 into Line-4, as they're definitely equivalent, and making all 5s into 4, then checking lines 3 and 4 by saying "Lines 3 and 4 would match if only 3 and 4 were equivalent. End of run, no incompatibilities, therefore they are so!"

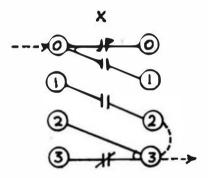


Diagram 93

Either way, we end up with Diagram 92b, where you'll notice I've drawn your attention to Line-2. This is a special case, because both columns of X contain the same 3-entry, and in terms of relay contacts means that input-line-2 is connected to output-line-3 through both a NC and a NO-contact. In other words, whether X is operated or not, input-line-2 will be connected to output-line-3, and we can save ourselves these two contacts by making a direct connection instead, as I've shown in the prototype of Diagram 93.

NEW PROTOTYPING RULE

And so we have a new rule for prototyping

If the same code occurs in both columns X=0 and X=1 in any one line, a direct connection will be made between the input and output lines concerned.

Note that power is taken off at both outputlines 2 AND 3 as column-Z has a 1-entry in BOTH these lines. Are you beginning to get the hang of it now? Let's do another example to give you a better picture.

ITERATIVE NETWORKS - EXAMPLE 3

Design a prototype cell for a circuit of "n" relays which will give an output iff there is exactly one set, which MUST contain an odd number of relays.

That's certainly different from what we've encountered so far, but as we thrive on variety let's begin with all column headings marked out, and the codings for line-0 inserted, as shown in Diagram 94a. So ... if code-0 comes into X and X=0 the same code goes out, but if X=1 we'll send out code-1 to indicate "Odd/L" (meaning "an odd number immediately in front of you").

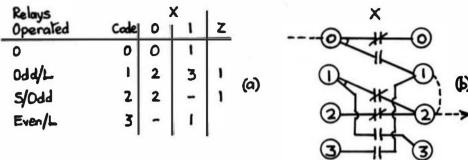


Diagram 94

In line-1, if X=0, we have our odd set, which we'll identify with code-2 and S/odd. If X=1 we have an even set SO FAR, which we'll code as 3 and Even/L. This, of course, means opening up two new lines, 2 and 3.

Considering line-2, if X=0 the state of affairs remains unchanged at S/odd, but if X=1 we're starting a second set, so let's cut off the power. And in line-3, with an even-numbered string of relays so far, if X=0 we've formed an even SET, so we'll cut off power here too. But, if X=1, we're back to an odd-numbered string so far, so we'll go back to line-1! Agreed?

Finally, looking at things from Z's viewpoint, we'll insert 1s in both lines 1 and 2. There are no equivalences (we must be getting better at this sort of thing!), so we draw the prototype cell of Diagram 94b directly from 94a. The input power comes in at Line-0, and is taken off at output lines 1 and 2 of the final cell, just as it came off at lines 2 and 3 in Example-2. One more example to wrap this whole thing up.

ITERATIVE NETWORKS - EXAMPLE 4

Design a prototype cell for a network of "n" relays which will give an output if there are EXACTLY two sets of any size whatsoever.

This looks interesting, so let's go for it! But first note that we're concerned with the number of SETS this time, not the number of RELAYS, so we head our info-column in Diagram 95a with "Sets Operated". Commencing on Line-0, if X=0 the same code goes out, and if X=1 we have the start of Set-1, which we'll call code-1. In line-1, if X=0 we've completed this set, so we'll use code 2 for 1S ("one set completed"), but if X=1 we're still working on our first set, so we insert code-1 here. Now for line-2! If X=0 we still have one set down the line (code-2), but if X=1 we're now starting on our second set. Let's code this as 3 and "1S + 1L", meaning, of course, "one set complete, plus a second starting immediately in front of you". Moving to Line-3, if X=0 we've formed our two sets, which we code as 4, and 2S, whose meaning is quite clear. However, if X=1 we're merely enlarging the size of this second set so we'll stick with code-3. We still have to analyse line-4, where, if X=0, the situation is unchanged at code-4, but if X=1 we're beginning work on a third set (forbidden), so we cut off power. And here the table naturally grinds to a halt.

The output-Z is only interested in two complete sets, so we'll insert 1s in lines 3 and 4. Again there are no equivalences, so the prototype cell shown in Diagram 95b can be drawn directly from 95a.

This concludes the NORMAL technique for constructing iterative networks, though next time we'll take a quick look at a more advanced method (not too often used) which MAY reduce the number of contacts in a prototype cell, but certainly shouldn't increase them. So now you can all try your hand at TEST FOURTEEN-A coming up! FOURTEEN-B will unfold next time.

TEST FOURTEEN-A

Design the prototype cell for a circuit of "n" relays which will give an output

- (a) iff there is only ONE set, consisting of either ONE or THREE relays.
- (b) iff ALL sets consist of ONE or THREE relays, and there's at least one set.
- (c) iff ALL sets consist of ONE or THREE relays, OR if no relays are operated.
- (d) iff there is EXACTLY one set, containing at least TWO relays.
- (e) iff there are exactly TWO sets, containing exactly TWO relays each.

The following are NOT COMPULSORY but why not try them?

- (f) iff there are exactly TWO sets, one with ONE relay and the other with TWO.
- (g) iff there is exactly ONE set of THREE relays, but there may be other sets of any other size.
- (h) iff there is exactly ONE set of two UNOPERATED relays! Watch this one!!
- (i) if there are any number of sets of any size, EXCEPT that output must be cut off iff there is among them exactly ONE set of ONE or TWO relays.
- HINT: Design for a circuit which WILL give an output for one set of either one or two relays, and then graphically complement it.
- (j) iff there are exactly TWO sets, one of TWO relays and the other of any other size.

Hope you enjoy these! Just to ease your load, I'll set up camp and cook a meal while you folks get scribbling on your pads!

... End of Mile 17, sitting at marker "Mile 18"

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FORTH09: A FORTH for OS-9 on the 6809

Here it is at last! Dan Johnson has come through for us just like the proverbial cavalry at the end of a John Wayne movie. He has written a completely full-featured FORTH-83 for OS-9. I hope that you will pardon me while I drool as I type this, since I am most excited with Dan's opus.

This product is called "FORTHO9", and it has absolutely no relationship to the public domain minimal program of the same name which I discussed in my August, 1988, column.

General Description

FORTH09 is a greatly expanded 83-FORTH. It meets all of the requirements of the standard, plus it has a number of its own expanded features. In fact, FORTH09 has so many features that I cannot possibly do all of them justice in a short review. As one should expect from a quality product, FORTH09 includes an assembler and a screen editor.

The assembler covers all of the 6809 addressing modes, and, of course, it uses RPN, so beginners will think that the statements look a little confusing. However, it takes practically no time to become used to that. The relative branches are handled in a high-level format. This way, the programmer does not have to worry about whether a branch is short or long. The manual contains an entirely adequate explanation of how this works.

The screen editor comes configured for 3 standard terminals and for the CoCo3. Just choose the type that you are using and compile the proper screens. If your terminal doesn't fit one of the current choices, you can find instructions on making the changes to one of the existing forms or on writing your own.

There is a kernal of code which must be loaded at startup, but the rest of the code is in screens which can be compiled as needed. Therefore, one can tailor a version of FORTH09 to a specific job without carrying a lot of excess code which does nothing but occupy RAM or ROM. The manual says that by choosing to do so, efficient ROM code can be generated (I have no way to burn a ROM, so I can't check this, but I don't doubt it!)

The important OS-9 calls are available directly from FORTH09, so this would eliminate a lot of the need for assembly language routines. In fact, I am such a klutz with OS-9 that I was amazed when I could use the calls so easily. Certainly, I had a lot less trouble than I had with C or BASICO9! Furthermore, I hope to use FORTH09 to teach myself more about how OS-9 operates. Talk about "instant gratification"!!!

Scope

FORTH09 is the epitome of wide usefullness. The same version works on both Level I and Level II OS-9. The only reason I can think of for having two working copies of the system disk is that you do need a different boot for Level 1 and Level II. Otherwise, it would be difficult to know which version you were using. As I see it now, I think that FORTH09/Level I would be most useful for machine control and FORTH09/Level II would be best every where else.

As I mentioned before, FORTH09 has been designed to work well on virtually any 6809 machine running OS-9. I only have OS-9 for the CoCo, so I can't check this for sure, but it looks fine to me from reading the manual and the screens. Other than disk format, the only differences that I anticipate would arise from the peculiarities of a particular terminal configuration.

I will confess that after I received my review copy of FORTH09, I finally realized just how much I HATED OS-9! Well, that has suddenly changed, I can't say that OS-9 is my favorite operating system, yet, but FORTH09 has certainly turned the corner for me.

Detailed Description

FORTH09 differs from the usual FIG model in several important ways. First of all, this is a subroutine-threaded code, rather than the string of execution addresses which are indirectly loaded and executed by NEXT. Whenever speed is important, the compiler can be signaled to compile a definition in line, rather than as a subroutine jump. This is not routinely done, because it can make a significant difference in the length of the code, but it is a dynamically available option.

Two scrarate dictionaries are maintained by FORTH09. They are called the PRIMARY and the SECONDARY dictionary. The significance is that it is possible to SAVE only the PRIMARY dictionary, thus creating a minimum sized block of code which can stand alone, as in ROM. However, the SAVESYS command saves both dictionaries, which is important since the assembler and editor are entirely in the SECONDARY dictionary. Following Dan's recommendation, I normally select the SECONDARY dictionary for all of the definitions which I write and then do a SAVESYS; after all, disks are cheap!

Each dictionary header is separate from its code. I don't know what difference that would make to the average user, but it would make it virtually impossible for somebody to reverse-engineer a ROM made with FORTH09.

Dan has provided a large number of additional definitions beyond 83-FORTH. This includes a pretty complete line of double-number words, so there would probably be no need for a floating-point package; 32-bit numbers generally exceed the capacity of most floating-point packages, and scaling should be used for the big number/little number problem, anyway.

Dan has exerted a little bit of author's license in changing some of the familiar FORTH words to fit in with his ideas. As examples, he has DDUP instead of 2DUP and ENDIF instead of THEN as his preferred forms. However, he has provided the common synonyms, also, so this does not present a problem. In fact, he has provided the word EQU which generates a synonym for any existing word, so you can customize you own package, if you want to. All of these changes are adequately covered in the glossary and will never cause you a problem, unless you are working with the minimum possible memory.

Caveats

A couple of points should be made about the differences between FORTHo9 and some other FORTHs, which might otherwise fall between the cracks. All of the problems mentioned here are related to transportability of programs and data between various FORTHs. If you are not concerned about that, then you can skip the next few paragraphs.

Decimal point within a number: It is usually acceptable to enter a number containing a decimal point, even though that decimal point will be ignored during integer math operations. However, the location of the decimal point is saved in a variable, usually called DPL, for use in some later operations. I have not been able to make FORTH09 accept a number containing a decimal, no matter how I have tried. Furthermore, DPL is not provided, so you will have to use your own. As I write this, I don't know how to "fix" it, but I will ask Dan to look into the matter. He has said that he intends to release a floating-point package, which should eliminate the whole problem, but it can interact unfavorably with existing programs which use math opeations.

Flagging double numbers: All other FORTHs flag the keyboard input of a double number by terminating the entry with a ".", but FORTH09 does this by preceeding the first digit with a "#". I can't see that this would affect the portability of FORTH code, since the only change is during keyboard entry, and not during program execution. The only problem might come from reading data from a text file on disk, but even that appears to be a little far-fetched. All in all, I think that the only real problem could come from the frustration of having to learn another way to enter keyboard data, but even I learned, so you can, too.

Screen #1

\ Test samples	\ RDL092188 0
	11
SECONDARY	2
	3
: EXO (-)	14
CR ." This is the first example." CR;	5
	6
: EX1 (-)	7
CR ." This is the second example." CR;	18
	19
: EX(2 (-)	10
CR ." This is the third example." CR;	11
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: EX3 (-)	13
CR ." This is the fourth example." CR;	14
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Screen #2 RDL092188 |0 \ The first experiment 11 : TABLE1 12 CREATE. 13 Mes CAD 2* 14 EXECUTE ; 15 TABLE! \ create the vector table EXPERIMENT1 16 EXO EX1 EX2 EX3 [\ load the table 17

Vector table generation: There are two common ways to generate vector jump tables; one way is shown in Screen #2 and the other in Screen #3. At this point, I simply want to say that the method shown in Screen #2 will crash in FORTH09, but the method is Screen #3 works fine. This appears to be a function of the way FORTH09 is built, and is not something that can be changed. On the other hand, I think that the method shown in Screen #2 is very poor programming practice and should be killed, any way. However, many programs exist which use the scheme of Screen #2, so watch out for it!

Shadow screens: FORTH09 requires that you use shadow screens. Unless you can think of some trick to play on the system, these screens are only useful for documenting the corresponding "regular" screen. There is no real harm, here, except that I don't like to be forced into an unfamiliar documentation scheme. I much prefer to document directly on the program screen so that I can see the comment and the code at the same time. This is only possible with shadow screens when you have a 132-column display. Also, I admit to a rather silly prejudice against "wasting" so much disk space.

SOURCE: D. P. Johnson, 7655 Southwest Cedarcrest St., Portland, OR 97223. \$150 (plus \$3 S/H).

VECTORED JUMP TABLES

In my last column, I discussed forward addressing and showed a rather elegant way to generate a vectored jump table. I would now like to discuss another way which used the CREATE ... DOES> construct; it is not as elegant, but is much simpler to type. However, it will not do the job of cross-selecting menus which was discussed last time; try it and you will see why.

Screen #1 simply defines the four words to be selected by our jump table. These definitions must be written before the table is defined, but can be written after the defining words TABLE1 and TABLE2. I have placed them in the first screen simply for convenience in illustrating the point.

Screen #2 uses CREATE ... DOES> to define a "defining word" called TABLE1. Notice that CREATE simply leaves an open space to be filled by the vectors at a later date. No specific amount of space is reserved at this time, so we have not specified how large the table is to be. The DOES> specifies what is to be done at run-time with the data in the table, but not how the data are to get there.

Line #6 of Screen #2 actually creates the vector table. Notice that this line is actually a command line which is executed when the screen is first loaded, and it is not a part of a definition to be executed later. The format of the command is simply its name TABLE1, which invokes its name, and EXPERIMENTI, which is the name of the jump table. Nothing could be simpler, which probably accounts for the popularity of this format.

All that is necessary to load the table named EXPERIMENT1 is the command shown in line #7. This must immediately follow the table invocation, or the scheme won't work. This line works because] immediately turns on the compiler and loads into the dictionary the execution addresses of the following words. The [immediately switches back to the interpretor, thereby stopping the addition of execution addresses to the dictionary.

Screen #3 starts off pretty much the same way, but CREATE takes a number from the Data Stack and allocates the actual storage space for the table during compilation. This way, the size of the table is set explicitly and is fixed as soon as TABLE2 is invoked. Therefore, it is not necessary to fill the table immediately, but it can be done at any time. This is a great programming convenience.

The action of DOES> in this screen is exactly the same as in Screen #2, You can see this with a Data Stack diagram, which you should construct if you need more help understanding the following explanation. The definition is entered with the address of the first element of the table as the top of the stack and the offset into the table as the next element of the stack. Therefore, the SWAP is necessary to get the offset into the right place. 2* multiplies the offset by the 2 bytes taken by a 16-bit address and + adds the result to the starting address. @ calls the execution address and EXECUTE jumps to iL

Screen #3

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:	TABL	E2										12
	CR	CATE	2*	ALLOT								13
	DO	ÊS>	SWZ	P 2*	+ 6 E	XEC	UTE	;				14
												15
4	TABL	E2	EXPER	RIMENT2			10	rea	te	the vector	table	16
												17
•	EX0	•	EXPER	RIMENT2	>BODY	0	2*	+	!	\ load th	e table	10
1	EX1		EXPER	RIMENT2	>BODY	1	2*	+	!			19
١	EX2	•	EXPER	RIMENT2	>BODY	2	2*	+	!			110
	EX3		EXPER	RIMENT2	>BODY	3	2*	+	1			111

The vector table is created by the command in line #6. The first command must be a number which sets the size of the table, 4 in this case. This means that there will be 4 addresses stored in a table named EXPERI-MENT2. Again, this is pretty much the same as in Screen #2, with the exception of the size of the table being on the Data Stack before calling TABLE2.

The remainder of Screen #3 simply shows one way to fill the vectored jump table named EXPERIMENT2. Notice that I have used an expanded format for each of the four commands required to load the four execution addresses into the table called EX-PERIMENT2. This makes the commands self-documenting, which is a big help. It shows which address goes where in the table. It also makes it easy to change the table later, but this smacks too much of self-modifying code to be to my taste. It is much more difficult to modify TABLE 1, because it is harder to find which address went where (this may be an advantage!?!).

Either scheme, Screen #2 or Screen #3, will work with most versions of FORTH, but not with FORTH09. You can only use the procedure in Screen #3 with FORTH09. However, the algorithm implemented in Screen #3 is better for several reasons, so I recommend it, no matter which FORTH you are using.

CORRECTION

A line got left out of the definition of DO-IT in the last column. The first line of the definition should be

R> DROP

followed by the rest of the definition. Without this addition, the Return Stack will eventually overflow. I did not catch the error simply because I did not cycle through the example enough times. Dave Angel caught this for me when I showed him the code. This just proves that, no matter how hard I my and how hard I test, I cannot guarantee that my code will always be perfect!?!

FOR THOSE WHO NEED TO KNOW



A Review of ThePerfectWORDTM Software for Bible Study and Research

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If I said that the Macintosh can be all things to all people, you would no doubt think the case to be somewhat overstated. Even Apple's Mac evangelists wouldn't go quite that far. It is true, however, that the Macintosh (and other computers) can serve an almost unbelievably wide variety of needs from spreadsheets for Accountants to data bases for a Zinc mining company. It should be no surprise then, to note that software is now available to support the serious Bible student and researcher.

Many people believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God, and that it tells men how to live in order to be saved. That makes it worthy of careful study. Fully understanding its message, however, takes considerable diligence and calls for the use of every tool at one's disposal. The apostle Peter said that Paul wrote "some things hard to be understood." Most Bible students won't have any difficulty in agreeing that the Bible is a challenging book.

Star Software, Inc. (229 Live Oaks Blvd, Casselberry, Flortda 32707) has developed several software packages to assist students and researchers in studying the Bible. One of these, ThePerfectWORD, is a fast and powerful search engine for finding, displaying, saving, and printing verses meeting specific search criteria. I have used this program frequently over the last two months and in this review, I'll share my experiences with you.

When ThePerfectWORD is opened, a display window and an entry window appear. You enter search criteria in the entry window and the verses identified in the search will be shown in the display window. The entrywindow can be hidden when not in use to provide more room for text. The text can be displayed in 9, 10, or 12 point type, and the spacing between verses can be adjusted.

Show Me the Verse

One of the simpler uses of ThePerfectWORD is to view selections of text. Select the "Show" mode, enter "James 2:24," and instantly this verse appears on the screen. This portion of the program is extremely flexible and allows precise selection of just the text you want to see. For example, you might want to see Romans 4:1-25; Hebrews 11:1; 11:8-19; and James 2:14-26 at the same time. No problem. Just enter the desired verses in an easy to understand format and they all appear. Considerable abbreviating of book names is allowed. The window has standard zoom button, scroll bars, and a grow box to view text when the selection is more than can be seen at one time.

Where Does it Say. . .?

By far the most important capability of The-PerfectWORD is its ability to find verses which satisfy prescribed search criteria. The feature is perfect when you want to know where the verse is that says that Jesus is a "propitiation" (just enter the word "propitiation" in the entry window.) A more common use might be to view all the passages that mention a specific word (e.g., "marriage"). You are not limited to searching on words, but can also search on phrases (e.g., "in Christ").

The Perfect WORD searches are FAST! For example, a search of the entire Bible for the word "covering" resulted in 43 verses being found in about 6 seconds. A search of the entire Bible for

verses that contain both the word "faith" and the word "grace" took on the order of 3 seconds. The time required for the search seems more related to the number of "hits" than the scope of material being searched. Several months ago, I reviewed a competing Bible study program, and at the time was favorably impressed with its speed. Little did I know! It quickly became apparent that ThePerfectWORD was an order of magnitude faster than its most advertised competitor.

ThePerfectWORD allows you to set the limits of your search. You may enter specific starting and stopping points. A quicker method for setting search limits is to check Quick Set dialog boxes such as Old Testament, Poetry, Entire Bible, Gospels, or Epistles. There is a block for almost all searches that I make, so detailed entries were rarely needed.

The PerfectWORD provides great flexibility in specifying search criteria. A string of different words or phrases may be entered and connected with symbols for "or", "and", or "not." For example, by entering "faith, grace" you will be shown all verses which contain both the word "faith" and the word "grace." Similarly, the entry of "Adam.-Eve" will display all verses which mention "Adam" but do not mention "Eve." Parentheses may be used for nesting in more complex searches. This provides great power to the researcher in indicating the subjects to be identified in the search. Searches involving complex logical strings are, of course, much slower than simple word searches. Note that the logic statements are not necessarily limited to words within a given verse. For example, if the same sentence used both the terms "grace" and "faith" yet the words fell in adjacent verses, these verses could still be identifled in the search example cited above. ThePerfectWORD allows the context range for input logic statements to be specified. For example, the user can say. "I want to see the places where "grace" and "faith" are mentioned within 3 verses of each other (or 1 verse, or 2 verses, etc.).

The result of searches may be displayed in two formats. Either the references only may be entered (i.e., the book, chapter, and verse) or the references with text may be displayed. An serious limitation of ThePerfectWord Revision 1.0 was that only 100 verses with text could be viewed. Fortunately, this limitation was removed in Revision 2.0 by allowing the full text of searches to be displayed regardless of the number of verses involved.

Let's See it in Context

Often, It will be useful to see the verses satisfying your search criteria in context, that is, with some preceding and following verses displayed. With other Bible search programs, you will have to pull out your Bible and look each verse up. Not so with ThePerfectWORD. Simply double click any verse and it is instantly displayed within a separate window in context. You can have ThePerfectWORD display from 1 to 10 verses before and after the verse of interest. This is a most useful feature since the division of the Bible into verses often causes breaks in the middle of sentences and ongoing thoughts.

Word Counts

Have you ever wondered how many times a particular word is used in the Bible? If so, your curiosity can be satisfied. In seconds, ThePerfectWORD can count all the occurrences of a word in the designated range. For example "Jesus" is used 983 times in the Bible, and Paul uses the word "law" 78 times in Romans. ThePerfectWORD can search for all words except about 50 very common words like "and", "the", and "a."

You can count a string of words at the same time. Enter each word you want counted separated by a space, comma, or semicolon, and the word count for each will be displayed.

The Perfect WORD can even count words based on entry of an abbreviation. For example, if you wanted to count all forms of the word "belief", you could enter "belle." and the words "believe, believes, believe, believest, believest, believest, believed" would be counted and the totals for each displayed. The ability to use abbreviations to widen a count is also useful in accurately scoping out a search for verses meeting the search criteria. In the above example, a search for "belie." would result in verses containing any of the above words being displayed.

Side by Side Comparisons

One of the most impressive ThePerfectWORD features is its ability to open numerous windows at once. For example, you can display Joel 2 in one window, open a new window for Daniel 2, and then display Acts 2 to see passages on prophecy and prophecy fulfilled. Similarly, you could display at the same time, passages from each of the four Gospels dealing with a particular parable. You can do the same thingwith the results of word searches. For example, in one window you could display all passages from Romans with the word "faith" and in another window all passages mentioning "works."

Window management is easy. The Windows menu lists all currently open windows and allows

you to activate any of them. If you select *The Windows* from the *Display* menu, all text windows are neatly arranged side by side. With this feature you can easily view up to 5 windows at once. If you select "stack windows." the windows are placed in a staggered fashion behind one another so that while only one window is fully exposed, the titles of all windows are displayed. Regardless of the option chosen, any window clicked becomes active and may be scrolled to see more text.

Saving Your Work

It's likely that often you will want to save the results of your research. ThePerfectWORD provides several possibilities. First, you may export the contents of windows through the clipboard. Second, you may save any window as a text file which can be read by your word processor or page layout program. Finally, you may create a verse file.

The verse file option saves the results of your research as a list of verses without the accompanying text. This makes such files extremely compact. When you open such a file, you will have the option of viewing only the references (i.e., the book, chapter, and verse) or also see the text. The Open, New, Save, and Save As commands work with Verse Files just like other files.

Using the appropriate menu selections, you can add or delete verses to a verse file and can combine multiple verse files together. You can select the Sort and Merge option to remove duplicate verses and put the remaining ones in Bible order. You may also add a descriptive header to each verse file. This description will be saved, displayed, and printed with the verse file.

Printing Options

The Perfect WORD window may be printed by selecting Print from the File menu. You may choose font size (9. 10, or 12) and verse spacing, but may not specify font style. If you want to alter the format significantly, you will need to transfer the information via a text file or the clipboard to some other application.

General Information

The Perfect WORD can be used with the Macintosh 512E, Plus, SE, and II. Supposedly, you can operate with only one disk drive if you have at least a megabyte of RAM, but I suspect you would need the patience of Job to do so. Any program whose files occupy 2.6 megabytes calls for a hard disk for

efficient operations

ThePerfectWORD is such a simple program that you will rarely need to refer to the manual. When you do, you will generally find it to be adequate. I did have some problems understanding how to use the verse file feature, but in retrospect, this was probably a result of my failure to read carefully enough and not that the manual was unclear.

Other Related Products

The text modules used in this review were the King James Version and the New International Version. Each English language translation is \$75. Star Software also offers a Greek translation for \$150 and a Hebrew translation for \$180 translations. These enable Bible researchers to perform searches on the original Greek or Hebrew word. The Hebrew version is entered and displayed from right to left on the screen since this language is read and written in this manner. These nonEnglish translations were examined only briefly during this review since my only language is Southern English. These products appeared to perform as advertised.

Do You Need ThePerfectWord?

I have used ThePerfectWORD frequently over the last two months and find it to be an exceptional program. Serious Bible students or researchers with access to a Macintosh cannot afford to be without this program. It does its thing so well that concordance books are made hopelessly obsolete. The speed of ThePerfectWORD is truly awesome. I had a number of concerns about limitations in Revision 1 of ThePerfectWORD but Star Software corrected all of them in Revision 2 leaving me little to gripe about. Users of Revision 1 should contact Star Software about upgrading to the new version since it is so much improved.

As a Macintosh software reviewer, I have access to a fairly wide variety of software. Most of it, however, gathers dust after the review. I can assure you that such will not be the case with ThePerfectWORD.

The Perfect WORD is a quality product which deserves your attention. I recommend tt^{EOF}

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Intelligent Write / Erase Cycle Stress of MC68HC11 EEPROM Devices

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Devices with EEPROM memories are tested in several different ways to screen units which would fail prematurely in an end-user's system. These tests typically include functional, pattern, data retention, and write / erase (W/E) cycling endurance testing. The former of these tests can be performed in a relatively short period of time using a high speed MOS test system, resulting in a low test cost per unit. However, the repeated W/E cycle stress of an EEPROM device takes a significant amount of time to complete. Screening units in this fashion using a high speed test system would result in high test costs per unit and low test throughput.

In order to minimize test costs and increase test throughput of Motorola MC68HC11 EEPROM Microcontroller units (MCU), a system has been developed which can simultaneously perform W/E cycling on up to 50 devices. These systems utilize the on-chip subsystems of the MC68HC11 in a unique way which enables each device to literally test itself. The system software enables W/E cycling of five different MC68HC11 MCU devices: MC68HC11A8. MC68HC811A2, MC68HC811E2, MC68HC11E9, and the MC68HC11F1. Although these systems are primarily used to perform production W/E cycling, it is also used to perform engineering evaluations. Furthermore, the system can be software configured to function as an MC68HC11 EEPROM gang programmer.

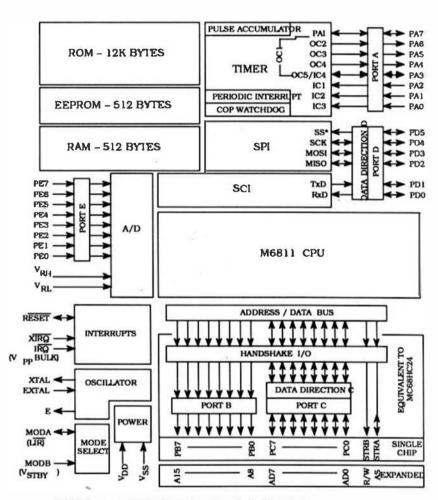


FIGURE 1 MC68HC11E9FN BLOCK DIAGRAM

DEVICE NUMBER	ROM RAM	EEPROM COMMENTS
MC68HC11A8	8K 256 512	ORIGINAL 68HCll
MC68HC11E9	12K 512	512 MORE ROM & RAM
MC68HC811A2	NONE 256 2K	NO ROM
MC68HC811E2	NONE 256 2K	4 INPUT CAPTURES
MC68HC11F1	NONE 1K	512 NON-MUX BUS

TABLE 1 MC68HC11 FAMILY OF DEVICES.

MC68HC11 Overview

In order to fully comprehend the function of the W/E cycle system, a brief overview of the MC68HC11 is necessary. As mentioned previously, there are five different members of the M68HC11 Family, each with different memory sizes and features, as listed in Table 1. For simplicity, the MC68HC11E9 MCU will be discussed. The MC68HC11E9 MCU, shown in Figure 1, contains 12k bytes of mask programmable ROM, 512 bytes of RAM, and 512 bytes of EEPROM. In addition to memory, the MC68HC11 contains an 8 bit 8 channel A/D converter, two serial ports, a 16 bit free running timer with 3/4 input capture lines and 5/4 output compare lines, a real time interrupt, and a pulse accumulator. The MCU utilizes an enhanced M6801 instruction set with 88 additional oncodes. including divide and bit manipulation instructions.

The EEPROM memory is enabled when the EEON bit in the CONFIG register is set. The write (or programming) mechanism for the EEPROM is controlled by user programmable bits in the PPROG register. The erased state of the EEPROM is \$FF, thus programming changes a bit from a 1 to a 0. Programming and erasure of the EEPROM relies on an internal high-voltage charge pump.

MC68HC11 devices operate in one of four modes: 1) single-chip, where the device acts as a monolithic MCU, 2) expanded multiplexed, where two I/O ports become a multiplexed address/data bus, 3) special test, for factory testing only. and 4) bootstrap mode. The MC68HC11 is configured to run in the bootstrap mode when operating in the W/E cycle system. When configured in the bootstrap mode, the MC68HC11 is capable of receiving a serial stream of data via its serial communications interface (SC1) and storing the data to RAM. Once the serial transmission is received, the M68HC11 vectors to the beginning of RAM and executes the code.

Write / Erase System Hardware

The W/E system consists of two boards, a device under test (DUT) board, shown in Figure 2, and a driver board, depicted in Figure 3. The driver board controls the W/E stress of the M68HCI1's, which are placed on the DUT board. The two boards interface via an edge connector. In production, W/E cycling occurs at 125 C. Thus, the DUT board is placed inside a high temperature oven and connects to the driver board located outside the oven through the edge connector which is placed inside the oven wall,

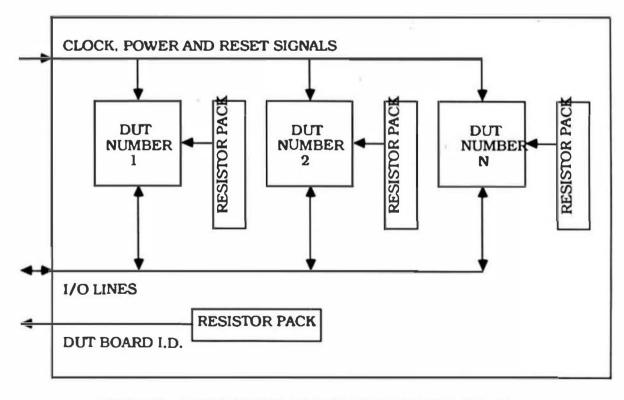


FIGURE 2 W/E SYSTEM DEVICE UNDER TEST BOARD.

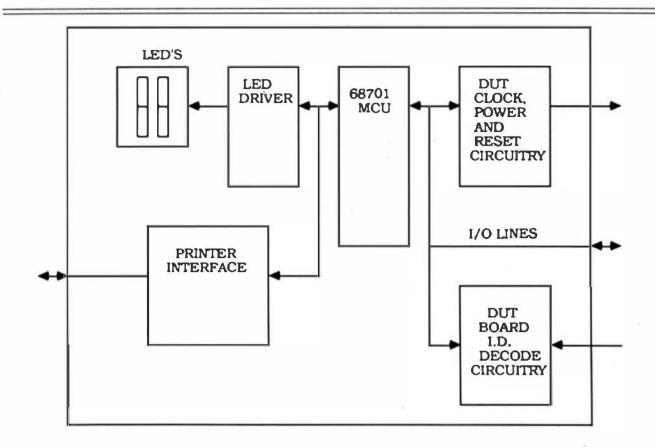


FIGURE 3 W/E SYSTEM DRIVER BOARD BLOCK DIAGRAM.

The MC68HC11 DUT board contains little circuitry outside of the MCU's themselves. Each MC68HC11 connects to an I/O bus in order to communicate with the driver board. Via the DUT socket, the port E pins of each MCU are hardwired with a hexadecimal address equivalent to the socket number in which it is placed. Since the I/O signals are bussed, this address is used by each DUT to discern whether the driver is initiating communication with itself or another

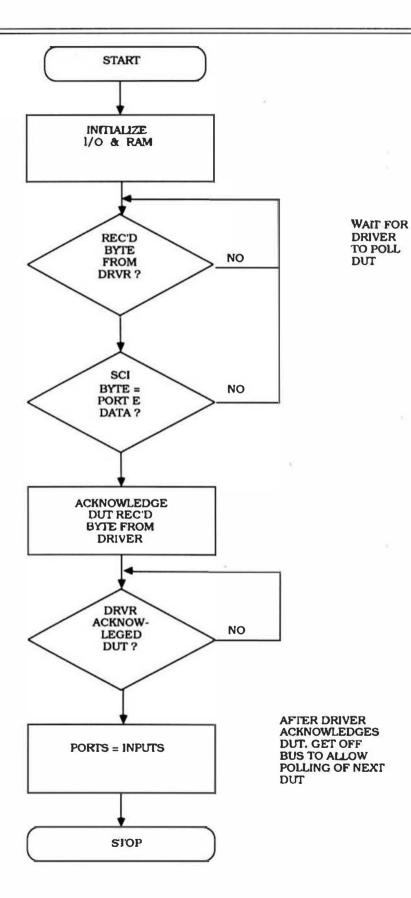
DUT. Clock, power and reset signals are also obtained from the driver board. The DUT's operate at an E clock frequency of 1.0 MHz with a 5.5 volt supply. Lastly. the DUT board contains a hardwired board identification code to inform the driver board of the package type and quantity of MC68HC11's on the DUT board. DUT boards were made to support 48 pin DIP, and 52 and 68 pin PLCC packages. (Note: see MC68HC11 Data Sheets for package information on particular MC68HC11 MCU devices.) Table 2 lists the quantity and the package type of the MCU's for the respective DUT board codes.

RESISTOR PACK NODE DUT PACKAGE TYPE DUT QUANTITY N1 N2 N 3 30 0 0 PLCC n 0 0 1 PLCC 50 0 15 0 DIP ì n 1 DIP 30

DUT BOARD IDENTIFICATION CODE.

The driver board is primarily composed of a Motorola MC68701 MCU and several logic chips. The MC68701 MCU's features include 2k bytes of EPROM, 128 bytes of RAM, an SCI, and parallel I/O. The driver board consists of several sections which fascilitates its use in both a production and engineering environment. As cited earlier, the driver board contains circuitry which provides the DUT's with power, reset and clock signals. Several I/O lines are present to communicate with the DUT's. Additional circuitry enables the driver to determine the DUT board identification code. This information is used by the driver board to configure its VO circuitry to properly communicate with the DUT board. The LED's and printer interface sections of the driver board are used to

TABLE 2



interface with the user. Although a printer is not connected to the driver board during production W/E cycling, a push button switch contained in the printer interface is used to initiate W/E cycling. The printer is used extensively, however, in engineering evaluations as a data collection device.

System Operation and Software

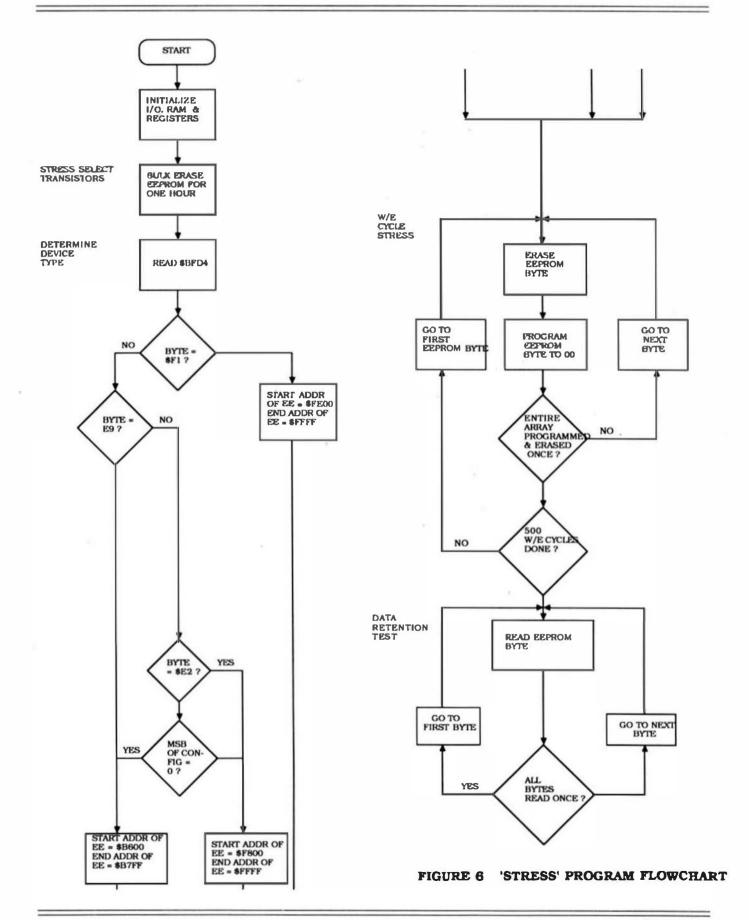
The software program which runs the W/E cycle system consists of two parts:

1) M6801 driver board code and 2)
M68HC11 DUT board code. Since the M68HC11 code is upwardly compatible with M6801 code, the two programs were combined into one larger program, which is assembled using an M68HC11 crossassembler. Care must be taken to assure that no M68HC11 specific opcodes are included in the M6801 portion of code, since the MC68701 MCU will view the opcodes as illegal instructions.

Once assembled, the software to operate both the driver and DUT boards is programmed into the driver board's MC68701 MCU. As mentioned previously, the DUT MC68HC11's operate in the bootstrap mode which enables them to use their SCI to read a program into on-chip RAM and execute the program. This special feature of the MC68HC11 bootstrap mode allows the driver board to download the MC68HC11 portion of the code to all the DUT's simultaneously. Programs downloaded to the DUT's are limited in size to 256 bytes in order to completely lit in the RAM area of all the MC68HC11's. Programs are serially downloaded from the driver board via the MC68701 MCU's SCI to the DUT board at a rate of 4800 baud.

Once the M68HC11's are loaded onto the DUT board and both the driver and DUT boards are placed in their respective positions about the high temperature oven, the system is ready for use. The driver board controls the W/E cycle stress of the MC68HC11's in the manner outlined in Figure 4. After initializing itself upon power up, the driver board

FIGURE 5 '9CHECK PROGRAM FLOWCHART.



reads the DUT identification code to determine the type of DUT board in use. Recall, the driver board uses this information to properly configure buffers in order to communicate with the DUT board. If an invalid code is read, which would be the case if the boards were not properly connected, an error code would be displayed on the LED's.

Once properly configured for communication, the driver board downloads the 'QCHECK' MC68HC11 program to the DUT's. This program, outlined if Figure 5, is used to perform a quick socket check of the DUT's to assure that all the MCU's are properly seated within their sockets.

To perform a socket check, the driver board polls each DUT individually, and waits for the unit to respond. To poll a particular MC68HC11, the driver board transmits a data byte which corresponds to the socket number of the DUT. All of the DUT's simultaneously receive the data byte and compare it to the value hardwired to port E of their individual socket. When the data byte received matches the port E value, the MCU responds. After the proper handshake signals are exchanged, the MC68HC11 clears the signals applied to the I/O bus enabling the driver board to poll the next device.

After polling all of the devices, the driver board displays the socket number(s) of the DUT('s) which did not respond. This allows the user to power down the system and reinsert any device which is not correctly positioned. If all the DUT's respond, the display will flash 00. The driver board will continue to display the socket numbers which did not respond until the user presses a button on the driver board to initiate W/E cycling. Before cycling is initiated, however, the oven in which the DUT boards are placed is heated to 125 C.

Once the appropriate button is pressed, the driver board writes a continuous 00 to the LED's to indicate that W/E cycling was initiated. A second program, 'STRESS', outlined in Figure 6, is then downloaded to the DUT's. From this point on the driver board does not communicate with the MC68HC11's but solely provides them with power and clock signals. Additionally, all inputs from the user interface are ignored. Thus, W/E cycling can only be aborted by resetting the system.

Each DUT individually receives the 'STRESS' program and performs W/E cycling on its on-chip EEPROM. After initialization, the 'STRESS' software performs a one hour bulk erase of the entire EEPROM array. The bulk erase stresses the select transistors which are activated to access individual EEPROM bytes.

The 'STRESS' program was written to run on all current MC68HC11's, each with various EEPROM sizes and address locations as cited earlier (Table 1). Thus, once the one hour bulk crase is completed, the DUT must determine the size and location of its EEPROM. This is achieved by examining a location in boot ROM or the CONFIG register. On the newer MC68HC11 devices (E2, E9 and F1) boot ROM location \$BFD4 contains data which identifies the particular device type. For example, an MC68HC11E9 device contains 'E9'. From this byte, the start and stop locations of EEPROM can be determined for these devices. The MC68HC11A8 and MC68HC811A2, on the otherhand, do not contain this boot ROM data byte. Thus, the CONFIG register is used to distinguish between these two devices. If the upper nibble of the CONFIG register is 0, then the device is an MC68HC11A8. A value other than zero indicates that the device is an MC68HC811A2.

Once the device type is determined, 500 W/E cycles are performed on each EEPROM byte in order to screen units which contain weak EEPROM floating gate cells. Once 500 W/E cycles are completed, a data retention test is performed. The data retention test takes the form of continuously reading each EEPROM byte in succession until the system is powered down. Upon completion of W/E cycling the EEPROM of each device should be fully programmed to 00.

Once W/E cycling is completed, the oven is cooled down and the DUT MC68HC11's are removed from the boards. The units then receive a full test on a high speed tester. During the post W/E cycle test, units which do not initially contain 00 in their entire EEPROM are binned out as bad devices.

Conclusions

The two board W/E cycle system is a cost effective efficient tool to screen MC68HC11 MCU EEPROM devices which may fail prematurely in an end user's system. This versatile system is used to stress five different MC68HC11 devices with one single software program.

As mentioned earlier, the W/E cycle system can also be used for engineering evaluations by altering the software programmed into the driver board MC68701 MCU and downloaded to the DUT's. Software changes enable the driver to collect data from the DUT's, and to print data via its user interface.

Additionally, the W/E system can be programmed to act as a gang programmer for MC68HC11 devices. Thus, up to 50 MCU's can be programmed simultaneously with one driver board and DUT board.

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ALTOS ANNOUNCES MULTILISER SYSTEM BASED ON MOTOROLA'S 68030

Seventh Company in Last Month to Announce 030-Based Computer

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Nov. 14, 1988 - Motorola's Microprocessor Products Group (Austin, Texas) today announced that Altos Computer Systems (San Jose, Calif.) will incorporate Motorola's top-of-the-line 68030 (030) processor in its highest performance multiuser system. The new computer, the Altos 68X Senes 030, is configured to use two 25 MHz 030 chips and supports 250 users. The announcement was made at Comdex, a computer industry trade show

The (130's compatibility with all processors in Motorpla's 68000 family allows for easy migration of software from Alsos' 68020-based products to its new 030-based multiuser system. Currently the 030 powers more than 50 systems, including personal computers and workstations from Apple Computer, Hewlett-Packard, NeXT and Sony Microsystems. These systems add to Motorola's \$100 billion installed base of hardware and \$3 billion base of 32 bit software, the world's largest

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"Our 68000 family has always provided a growth path for companies," said Murray A. Goldman, senior vice president and general manager of Motorola's Microgreessor Products Group (Austin, Texas), "Our future 68040 will significantly increase the performance of systems while maintaining compatibility with current 68000-based machines."

The new Altos 68X Series 030 runs the Altos Pick operating system and is available in three configurations ranging in price from \$25,000 to \$45,000. All three configurations of the system will ship in the flest unarter of 1989

Founded in 1977. Altos designs, manufactures and markets 16- and 32-bit networked muldiuser solutions for distribution in 70 countries. More than 108,000 Alios systems have been installed worldwide

Motorola's \$2.2 billion Sendeunductor Products Sector (Phoenix, Ariz.), which includes the Microprocessor Products Group (Austin, Texas), is a part of Motorola Inc., It is the largest and broadest supplier of agriconductors in North America, with a balanced purtolio of over 50,000 devices.

NEW JAPANESE SYSTEMS ADOPT MOTOROLA'S 68030

Fujitsu, Sharp and Sumitomo-Denko Expand Portfolio of 030 Users

AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 19. 1988 - Monarole's Microprocessor Products Group may neural that three major Japanese companies will accorpanie its 68030 (030) and openies son as the central processor in systems that are acheduled for shipment by the year's end. Fution (Tokyo), the largest manufactures of maintrages and materimeters in Japan, will have two of its next experience eningermovies on the 030. Sharp (Osaka) and Surretorian Denko (Tokyo) will both use the 32-bit provessor in high-end workstations.

Futitisa's 030-based A.60 and A.60 are the tarest in the company's Assertes of regulations of the company's Assertes of th to be based on Motorcia's 68000 family. Sharp's IX-6 Model 2 and Sumitomo-Denko's U-Stanon/E40, both using the 030, are top-of the line engineering workstations that perform advanced CAD/CAM operations. The workstations add to Sharp and Suttations Denko's current 68000 based product lines

The 030's compatibility with processors in the 68000 line provides an easy upgrade path for more than 400 companies using its predesease, the 68020. Currently, more than 50 companies use the 030 to power their systems. Sony Microsystems, the leading manufacturer of workstands in Japan, incorporates the 030 in its high-end our houseast. Numerous companies in the United States, including Apollo Computer, Apple Computer, Hewlest-Packard and NeXT, Inc. also offer systems based on the (130)

The versariley of the 030 allows it to be used in a versity of apply several from personal propulers to high-real executation and superimputers," said Morrey A. Goldman, senior vice president and general manages of Monarcha's Microprocessor Products Group (Austin, Texas). "The power of the 030 counted with its price and installed software have commune to make it the choice of (BAIG) system companies."

The 030 is a highly increased encouragessor with an internal parallel (Harvard-style) dual but architecture, mercury management unit, and activities 256-byte data and instruction curies on a single chip. All processors in the 68000 family are fully compatible with one areches, allowing for easy migration of software. Currently, Mourcale's 68000 family has a \$100 billion installed base of hardware and a \$4 billion 32-bit software base, the world's largest

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SONY INTRODUCES THREE WORKSTATION LINES BASED ON MOTOROLA'S 68030

AUSTIN, Texas, Oct. 31, 1988 - Mounda's Microprocessor Produces Group ands assurated that Sony Microsystems, the leading manufacturer of workstations in Japan, will exception: Mounta's 68030 (030) processor and 68882 (882) floring point much expressiver in three workstation bines. Stray joins a heat of vendors including Apple Compacts, NeXT and Fajeso that have recently announced systems based on the top-of the time Memerica processor

Sony's three workstation lines, the NEWS 1700, 1800 and 1900 Series, use a 25 MHz (130 as the control processing engine and a 25 Mills 882 for advanced quiters processing. The 1700 systems occupance a single 030 processor and are corporal as normputer aided design trade. The NEWS 1800 Series (normales its own performance by including a second 030 as an important put processor. The high-end NEWS 1900 workstation also uses a second 030 for graphics networking and VME bus support. These Sony workstations growide a broad societion of cost performance solutions for a range of markets including engineering, unfeware developmen and network server applications

"Surveys clearly a technology leader and we are private that our rALED Limit's has contributed to its success," said Marray A. Cioldman, senior vice provident and governal improper of Missingly's Microprocessor Products Group (Austin, Texas) "Our ANUITH family will continue as deliver the perference needed for leadership in the work using market.

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Sony Microsystems Company, headquarecret in Palo Atto, Cabl., is a wholly owned cumpany of Sony Computation of America, thelf a division of the \$11.4 billion Sony Computation. Tokyo. Sony Microsystems markets state-of the art computer industry handware and software in

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CERTIFIED SOFTWARE ANNOUNCES BBS FOR OMEGASOFT PASCAL ON 68000 SYSTEMS

RANDOLPH, Vermont, October 19, 1988 - Certified Software today announced the installation of a Bulletin Board System to be used for customer support of the following products:

P20K - 68000 series Pascal for OS9 and PDOS hosts. PXK9 - 6809 Cross Pascal for 68000 host running OS9.

PCSK - 68000 Pascal for Atari ST host.

The BBS allows users to cell in using a modern at 2400 (V.22 bis), 1200 (V.22), or 300 (Bell 103) baud. The terminal program (supplied by Certified Software) allows error free communications with the BBS to facilitate downloading and uploading of programs reliably.

Access is on a subscription basis, with charges based on usage and a monthly account maintenance fee of \$3. The minimum amount to open an account is \$80, It is estimated that this would last the average user a year or more. Users apply for an account by logging into the system the first time and sending payment information to the BBS sysop (CSC).

The system is designed primarily to supply users with the latest information on OmegaSoft Pascal Including patchs and work-arounds to known problems. There will also be free software available on the system, and users may exchange software they have written, and even purchase software from other users (\$50 maximum per sale) by having money from their account transferred to the seller's account by the sysop.

The terminal program required to access the system will be included in future updates of existing products, or may be obtained from your distributor. Copies may be purchased directly from Certified Software at the above address for \$10 with your prepaid subscription of \$80 or more. Subscriptions may be charged to your credit card (VISA and Mastercard), credit card customers receive a 5% bonus.

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MOTOROLA, PCPI™ INTRODUCE NEW GENERATION OF LASER PRINTER CHIPS

Las Vages, November 14, 1988 . . . Motorola Semiconductor Products Sector and Personal Computer Products Inc. (NASDAQ symbol: PCPI) today introduced the first of # new generation of application-apecific integrated circuits (ASICs) that fowere the cost and improves the parformance of laser printer controllers.

"The LPC1 and ALPC1 gale array circuits are the keystones of an integrated array of products and services for manufacturers of printer engines, vendors of laser printers and systems integrators," sald Eric Gaer, director of marketing for PCPI.

*PCPI's OEM customers may now purchase or license all the elements needed to build and market any advanced laser printer product solution — chips, the custom development of software and hardware, furnitary controller designs, complete printer systems, emulations, an extensive lont fibrary, and ImageScript**, PCPI's amulation of PostScript*.

In a related announcement, PCPI introduced two primter controllers that Incorporate the LPC1 and ALPC1 chips.

The chips mold PCPI's expertise in systems and software design with Motorota's two micron double-layer metal and edvenced one-micron triple-layer metal CMOS (Complimentary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) semi-custom circuit technology.

The two companies ennounced in tale August I 986 an agreement to jointly design, manufacture and market a new generation of ASIC chips "that promises developers the vehicle to provide users with less expensive printers that feature greater text-and-graphics capabilities," said Gaer.

Best the LPC1 and ALPC1 combine into a single integrated circuit a variety of printer operations that previously required several chips. This simplifies controller design and customization, enhances functionality, improves performence, lowers costs -- and frees board space for additional functions.

For example, the LPC1 integrates into a single chip the interlace with the central processing unit, dynamic RAM control, and the direct memory access video interface. Additionally, the ALPC1 includes on board hardware assist for raster operations,

The jointly-developed ALPC1 chip for laser-printer controllers represents the first commercially available application for Motorola's high-density CMOS array (HDC Series) family of one-micron triple-layer metal semi-custom circuits, introduced in November 1987.

The ALPC1 (Advanced Laser Printer Controller) chip incorporates one of the most advanced silicon technologies available to provide sub-nanosecond appeal combined with extremely small chip dimensions. Features of Motorola's HDC Series include densities up to 105,000 gates in a channelless sea-of-cells architecture that provides over 75 percent typical utilization. A one-micron drawn-gate-length CMOS process having triple-layer metal routing and power distribution results in 260 picosecond typical gate delays and very small die size (226 mils square for 16K gates.) The circuits are packaged in economical PLCC and fine plich OFP surface-mount configurations and PGAs for through-board applications.

L.J. Reed, vice president and general manager of Motorola's Application Specific Integrated Circuits Division, said "high utilization in a one-micron channelless array provides a combination of performense and economy Ideally suited to building application specific controller circuits."

In addition to providing station rectivology matched to the leser printer market. Read said "the Motorola-PCPI chips flustrate the use of specialized library cells to speed the design phase of creating customized print-engine controllers."

The Motorole-PCPI ASIC lamity is designed to enhance the performance and functionality of systems based on Motorole's line of MC680X0 microprocessors. Thay will support up to 40-pege-per-minute printers and standard emulation of taxt and bit-mapped graphics, and they are compatible with the most commonly-used printer-angine interfaces.

In addition, the ALPC1 is designed to provide 88000-based printers with 68020 performance at the lower post of the Motorota 68000 chip.

Motorola's Application Specific Integrated Circuits (ASIC) Division in Chandler, Arizona is dedicated to the development and production of semi-custom and structured custom circuits using gate array, self-based and functional-block techniques. The ASIC Division manufactures and markets integrated circuits worldwide for commercial and military and-use markets and develops, acquires and maintains advanced computer-aided design software dedicated to title development and design of application-specific devices.

Located in San Diego, PCPI is a pioneer developer, manufacturer and marketer of leser printers and intelligent, microprocessor-based board-level products designed for use with leading microcomputers and workstations.



THE LPC1:

A LASER PRINTER CONTROLLER INTERFACE CHIP

The LPC1 is the tret of a run generalise of Laser Printer Corander Chips. It incorporates the three gravity functions of a laser \$1900 coresion she CPU resolutes, the Cylinest RAM cores and the index OMA resolute. The LPC1 is fully corepatable with Material's the of MC680XD microprocessors.

Contained within the LPC1 are eight programmable registers which provide a wide range or teachtry in customizing the LPC1 for a specific engine application. On-board CPU clock driver, programmable serial port clock, 19-bit or empt tense, and a special CPU controlled Controll

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· CPU INTERFACE

- MC660X6 translation [-16, +12 MHz]
 CPU Clock Generator
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- CPU Interrupt or Polling Option
 CPU Controlled Diagnostic Printer Emulation Mode
 16-bit Programmable Software Interrupt Timer
 16-bit Data Bus

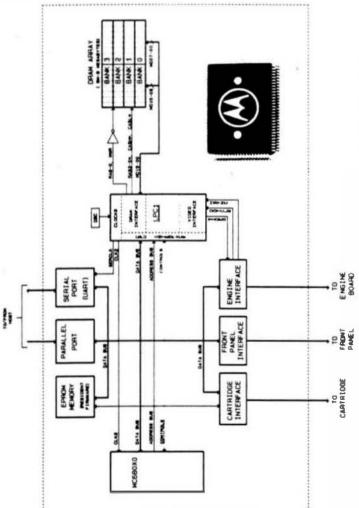
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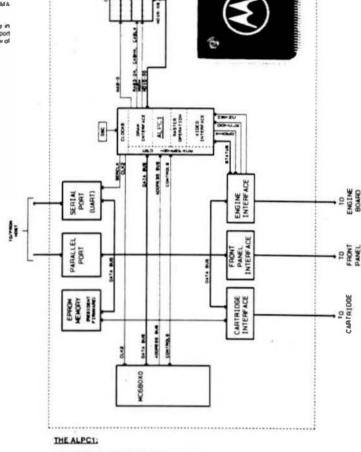
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 256K and 1Meg DRAM Chip Support
 3-Port Memory Interface Arbitration
 (CPU, Video DMA, Refresh)
 Internal Refresh Cycle Control (RAS-Only)

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 16-bit Programmable Vertical Line Scan Counter with Interrupt or Politing Option
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 12-bit Programmable Words-Line Counter
 12-bit Programmable Words-Line Counter
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 25 bit Programmable Words-Line Counter
 37 bit Programmable Words-Line Counter Interrupt







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The ALPC1 is the fest of a new generation of Advanced Laser Printer Controller chips. It improporates the printer general functions of a user divities controller the CPU interface, the Dynamic RAM controller printering video CMA & status size face. Additionally, the ALPC1 contains on history diviners a signific raser operations. The ALPC1 is truly compatible with Microrials at larger of MC68CX0 micrograms signs and is a superior of PCP1 is less controller to the ALPC1 in the superior and ALPC3 in the superi

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CMODEM

CMODEM is a menu-driven telecommunications program designed to facilitate the transmission of data between microcomputer systems and terminals or bother remote computer systems. It functions in several modes of operation.

In the simplest mode of operation, it provides a transparent dumb-terminal method of communication. For MS-DOS-compatible computers, it also provides a tvi-920

It also supports the Ward Christiansen file transfer protocol to facilitate the error-free transfer of files between systems both supporting this protocol. The default errorchecking method used is checksum. CMODEM will acknowlege CRC error checking and will switch if requested by the other computer. This feature allows the use of CMODEM with most available upload/download facilities.

For those systems that do not support a batch transfer protocol, CMODEM supports an ASCII file collection/dump mode for transfer of text files. In this mode, and in dumbterminal mode, it supports an X-ON/X-OFF mode of controlling the data transmission.

CMODEM will work at speeds of 300 to 9600 Baud for those systems with asynchronous communications support devices. It is used regularly at 9600 Baud between adjacent machines to transfer data between them.

The CMODEM program with printed manual is available for a retail price of \$50 without source or \$100 with source.

68010 SUPER SLEUTH

A disassembler performs a function opposite to that of an assembler. That is, it allows its user to process an object program, for which no source program is readily available, and to re-create the essentials of the original source program. The resultant source program may then be studied, commented, modified, reassembled, etc. A trivial disassembly may be performed rather simply manually or with the use of a computer by translating the successive bytes of object code into the equivalent mnemonics for a target processor. A really useful disassembly requires the assignment of labels and the ability to determine whether given bytes in the program represent data, addresses, garbage, or instructions. Since a computer can assign labels but cannot classify program contents, disassembly must be interactive to be meaningful.

SUPER SLEUTH is a collection of programs which enables the user to interactively examine Motorola S-format program files on disk. 68010 programs may be disassembled into source code format and the source saved on disk.

Programs in other binary formats may be placed into Motorola S-format with utility programs provided with SUPER SLEUTH. Labels produced by SUPER SLEUTH can be changed globally to labels of your own preference. Cross reference listings of labels can be produced to aid in debugging or modifying the program.

SUPER SLEUTH, with printed manuals, is available in object-only form for a retail price of \$100, or with source for \$200.

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CONGRATULATIONS on the purchase of your PT-68k2. I have been selling and using Peripheral Technology products for the past 6 years and my customers and i are very happy with their products, service and support. Since 1978 I have been developing business oriented programs for the Motorola 6800 & 6809 and I am now converting them to the 68000. The following products are available from Palm Beach Software.

EDDI a acreen edgor and formatter, \$50.00 EDDI has 62 key commands to completely manage the text and screen display, and 22 formatting commands to control the printed outpot. It is also convenient for use as a program eddor supporting line numbers, tab stops and wacro keys. A spelling helper, synonym finder and other DOS utilities are available without exiling EDDI. Two banks of memory are supported so that you can edit two files and must data back and forth, DOCUMAKER is boiler plate document creator) and MERGER (personalized name, text and address insertion) will be available in late

SPELL8 a 160,000 word spelling checker, \$50,90
SPELL6 has been around in the 6809 version for 6 years, it is still on version 1.0 and I have only fixed two misspellings.

ASMK a native code assembler, \$25,00

ASMK is a bare bones, satisfive code, 68000 assembler. It does not have macros or conditional assembly and you must have enough memory to hold the complete source and object code. The system is similar to other 6800 and 6809 assemblers which were common to the SS-50 world. It is very fast.

SUBCAT a sub-directory manager. \$25.00 SUBCAT is a program that will allow multiple directories; setup in a tree structure on a disk. The disk directory is not akered and is still the primary source of information about each file. Each entry has a 36 byte message area where you can keep a description of the file and its contents. A long block of reverse vides is moved to select an entry and now you can execute the following operations on the selected file. Assembly, copy, delete, edt, get or esecute, help, kill, insial, load, enter message, rename and view, Other operations; backup, execute DOS command, accan, update, gap and exit can be done from any position. Two other commands are used of filmble. In essence you can create a tree like castlog structure and then manipulate the files in these catalogs as an independent directory,

KRACKER a diseasembler program. \$25,00

KRACKER will allow you to scen through a program to create a memory map of code, toxit, tables, etc. When the memory map is competed you can create a source code file to disk, printer, or terminal,

LOGIC a schematic drawing prog, graphic screen only) \$25.00

MOZART = music editor (requires special card) \$25.00

The following program is underdevelopment and is expected to be released in the shird quarter of 1988.

PARASOL a complete integrated business system.

PARASOL is a alternate tasking, memory management, menu driven, umbrella ur shell program for the PT-68K2. The main mema can be reentered from any program, where you may select another tasks. This task may also receiter the main memi and select again. When you exit a task you will be returned to the previous task at the exact point where you left with all pointers, flags and acreens record. At the present time the following programs and dook accessories are either working or under development. Multiuser version can be expected in the fall of 1988,

APPOINTMENT Calendar

BILLS PAYABLE
COMMUNICATIONS PACKAGE (Email, Modern Management, etc)

COMMONICATIONS PACKAGE (Email, Modern Managemeiz, etc)
DIARY (Note pad data base enganized by name & IDP)
EQUIPMENT (Data base of property (depreciation, loans & borrows))
File ROOM (Main data base organized as Cabhers (disks), Drawers (directories),
Folders (sub-directories), Occuments (Files). After a document has been
selected you will then have the option to edit, view, rename, copy, send, delete. selected you will then have the option to edk, view, rename, copy, send, delete, assemble, etc.

GENERAL LEDGER icomplere double enery accounting package!

HOUSEKEEPING (daily journal & positing to all accounts)

INVOICE GENERATOR icreate invoices and delivery ticheta!

JOB JAR (dails base of thirds to da)

COST ACCOUNTING (integrated with bills received & payroll)

TIME LOG & MANAGEMENT (professional time monitor for billing)

FILE MAINTENANCE (where all boo-boos are corrected)

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PURCHASE ORDERS (data base of orders placed)

PAYROLL (1000 employees, checks, monthly, quotiently, yearly reports and W2's)

EMERCENCY EXIT [mens of shutdown procedures]

RECEIVED DN ACCOUNT (integrated with invoice generator so keep record of

charges and payments, statements, past due reporti SPREAD SHEET TELEPHONE & DIALER (dist telephone and keep recor

DIALER (dist relephone and keep record of time & charges) UTILITY ROUTINES

INVENTORY (manage the Inventory Integrated with EXPENSE ACCOUNTING log & manage expense accounts)

Paim Beach Software programs are written in assembly language for speed and efficient use of ram and disk memory. They are not copy protected and the source code is made available for the modules that are user defined, (Printer diviver, Terminal drivera, Modam drivera and Key solection tables) A amort terminal is required for our business software. I recommend the Tolevideo 905, but the Wyse WY-50 is also a good choice. A amert terminal emulator program has been written for the monographics card and AT style keyboard. However: If you plan to the future to use the business programs, either single or multiuser, a snarc terminal should be used. Please include a discription of your system with sach order. Software will be distributed on 5 1/4" disks, Single Sided, Double Densky, and 96 TPI unless a xpecial request is made.

Happy Hacking,

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DO NOT RELEASE UNTIL 12/15/88

80286 G-64 BOARDS SET HELPS BUILD RUGGED

Nese, A3, Movember 1, 1988--GESPAC has released a board set implementing the Intal 80286 16-hit processor. EGA graphics, and disk controller that is compatible with the IBM AT running at 10 MHz. The three hoseds are each built under the single height Eurocard form factor, was the reliable DIW 41612-C connector, and are designed to operate on the G-64 hus. The unique mechanical characteristics and hus extension capability of the hoard set makes it ideal for use in applications where a harsh or vibrating environment would prohibit the use of a regular office PC or compatible.

The first of the boards is a highly integrated industrial implementation of Intel's high performence 80286 16-bit microprocessor. The microprocessor has 512% of fast access on-board dynamic memory and sockets for the EPRON 8103. For math intensive operations, an 80287 srithmetic coprocessor can be added. In addition, the board includes two RS-232 serial ports, three timers, a battery backed-up clock and calender, as well as a powerful interrupt controller.

The second member of the system is an Enhanced Graphics Adapter (EGA) that features an integral AT keyboard interface. This brings PC compatible color graphics to the industrial environment. The third member of the system is a hard disk controller to be used under the ST-506 interface under the G-64 hus, giving the user the option of using a vest number of hard disks, as well as capacities at a low cost.

All three boards communicate through a standard G-64 hus backplene. The G-64 bus is a 16/32-bit open hus srchitecture, featuring the single height Eurocard board format (4" by 6.25"), that is widely used in industrial and imbedded systems application. The hus interface allows the board set to be expanded with any of over 150 T/O, data ecquisition or controller modules svailable for the hus.

The board set has been demonstrated to run all the most popular programs written for the IBM PC AT.

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COMMODORE INTRODUCES ANIGNE WITH 68020

Amiga 2500 features doubled processor speed, math-co-processor and 2 MB of 32-blt RAM for workstation-level applications

IAS VEGAS. November 14, 1988 -- Commodore Busineas
Machines, Inc. today introduced the Amiga 2500 designed for the
needs of graphics, animation and video professionals. Based on
the original Amiga 2000 introduced a year ago, the Amiga 2500 is
configured with an A2620/2 co-processor card that comes standard
with the Motorola® 68020 processor, 2 MB of 32-blt RAM
(expandable to 4 MB) and a 68881 math-co-processor. These
high-performance features enable the new Amiga system to perform
at the workstation-level speeds required by many of the new
second generation graphics-based Amiga applications.

"The Amiga 2500 is a natural progression of the Amiga technology," said Joel Shusterman, Commodore vice president of marketing. "The Amiga 2500 has no equal in its price/performance class and offers all of the original design benefits of the Amiga 2000 as an expandable, sulti-tasking, multi-processing, multi-operating system machine."

The advanced graphics capability of the Amiga series is ideally suited to color desktop publishing and presentation, 3-D solid modeling and professional video applications. With the additional speed of the Amiga 250D, color rendering time of 3-D graphics and re-calculation time for modifying full-color desktop publishing pages can be reduced substantially. Performance increases can be up to 400 percent.

Standard on the Commodore Amiga 2500 is a Motorola 68020-based co-processor card (A2620/2) running at 14.26 Mhz with 2 M8 of 32-bit RAM, (expandable to 4 MB of 32-bit RAM); a built-in 3.5-inch floppy disk drive; a pre-configured, high-performance 40 MB hard disk drive and hard disk controller; custom sound, animation and graphics chips; RS232 merial and parallel connectors; and two RCA-type audio output jacks. Also evailable is an MS-DOS® compatible Bridgeboard allowing the Commodore Amiga to run MS-DOS compatible software under Amiga control.

The open architecture of the Commodore Amiga allows extensive internal expansion with multi-processor, multi-DOS options. Contained in the Amiga 2500 are seven full-size internal expansion slots which include a combination of Amiga, stendard PC XT/AT and dual purpose slots: a CPU expansion slot and a video expansion slot.



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Extraordinary 68030-based Single-Board Computer Offers Large Number of Functions at Low Price

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CAMPBELL, CA., October 18, 1988 A new high-end 68000-based single board computer introduced today brings cost-efficient modularity to high performance 32-bit applications. The CPU-37 offers more functionality than most single-board VMEbus-based computers. The board offers a range of options on CPU speed, on-board memory and flooppy, 5CSI and Ethernet control. When fully configured, this single-board computer replaces solutions that use up to four boards. FORCE has priced the CPU-37 below any comparable single or multi-board offering.

The CPU-37 also offers an ASIC solution to VMEbus interface and control. "Using our advanced VME/PLUS" architecture, we married high-density application-specific gate array technology with precision surface-means board manufacturing," said Wayne Pischer, Director of Marketing "We're able to offer more functions in a single board computer for less dollars, thanks to VME/PLUS. The CPU-37 will serve the low-to-middle reaches of the demanding high-performance market segment. Customers can select CPU speeds of either 16-7 or 25 MHz, on-board DRAM of either 1 or 4 Mbytes, and say yes or no to Ethernet."

Standard Features Will Attract Mid-Range, Embrace High-End Applications

The recent basic CPU-37 is priced as low as \$3,990 but offers features ensortated with boards conting hundreds more. A fully configured CPU-37 is priced at \$5,890 and includes all features described below. "We're bound to attract applications that up until now have been too cost-sensitive to move to a \$6000-based CPU," said Fischer. "And, high-end buyers will see the CPU-37 as a price-performance breakthrough."

The CPU-37's ranges of features (oxlude:

- 68030 microprocessor, 16.7 or 25 MHz operation; 2 E²PROM sockets
- 68882 floating point coprocessor, 16.7 or 25 MHz operation
- 1 or 4Mbytes of DRAM, 0 wait states at 16.7 MHz, 1 wait state at 25MHz
- · Real time clock with on-board battery backup

- 3 serial ports for RS232/RS422 operation available via 9-pin front panel connectors. First 2 ports can provide synchronous operation based on the 68562 dual universal serial communications controller chip; 3rd port employs the 68901 multi-function peripheral chip.
- 1 Parallel Interface/Timer provides one 24-bit and four 8-bit limers
- SCSI interface (via MB8703) host adapter chip)
- Floppy Disk Controller (5A460) interface (via WD1772 controller chip)
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- A32/24/16, D32/24/16/8 VMEbus master/sleve interface
- . Slot 1 Control functions (SYSCLOCK, arbiter, etc.)

Software Includes Free O/S Kernel, Wide 3rd-Party Compatibility

Enhancing the usefulness of the CPU-37 is VMEPROM, a free real-time operating system keriel that also includes a monitor and debugger. It is installed on the board in EPROM, yielding operational capability as soon as the CPU-37 is installed on an active backplane.

VMEPROM is based on PDOS, a popular operating system from Eyring Research Institute. The CPU-37 is also compatible with third-party real-time systems and harnels, including UNIX compatible products. Current third-party ports include OS-9 (Nikroware), VRTX32 (Ready Systems), pSOS (Software Components Group), VxWorks (Wind River Systems) and UnIX-EX (TSC).

Support for Ethernet's TCP/IP protocol is planned for 1Q89.

Price & Availability

The CPU-37 has entered the shipping pipeline and is available for immediate delivery. Equipped with a 16.7MHz 68030 and 68882 muth coprocessor, IMB of memory, floppy and SCSI controllers, the CPU-37X is priced at \$3,990 (1-9). A 25MHz version with 4MB of memory, floppy, SCSI and Ethernet controllers is priced at \$5.890. The product is shipped in a new PORCE package that emphasize static protection.

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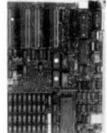
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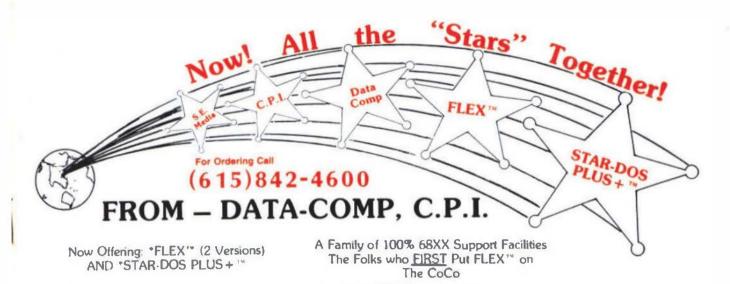
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